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Hotel Ordinance Goes Into Force On Tuesday

The Hotel Ordinance controlling the charges for accommodation and services at 25 of the more than 90 hotels, boarding houses and public dormitories in Hong Kong will come into force on Tuesday. A Proclamation to this effect was made by the Governor yesterday.

The Ordinance which also makes it compulsory for the 25 hotel managements to reserve a prescribed percentage of hotel rooms for Hong Kong residents, was passed by the Legislative Council last month.

The percentage ranges from 20 per cent at the Waldorf.

Rose, Tavern, Sun, Union, Metropole, Kowloon, Kimberley, Grandview, Hong Kong and Gloucester hotels to 100 per cent at the Lucky Apartments and Tuk Lin Apartments.

The percentage at the Melbourne Apartments and Ritz Apartments has been fixed at 70 per cent at the Republic Bay and Peninsula Hotels at 80 per cent, and at the Arlington, Harbour View, Melbourne Hotel, Ritz Hotel, Phillips House and Lytton House at 90 per cent.

The Ordinance also fixes the charges for consumption of power by the use of iron, electric fans, heaters, kettles, radios and hot plates.

Declared In Writing

The control charges at the 25 hotels are applicable only to residents who have been declared in writing by the Quarantine Authority to be Hong Kong residents.

About 15 applications have been received by the Quarantine Authority for registration as Hong Kong residents. Only residents who make a declaration that they have resided in Hong Kong for a consecutive period of six months (prior to making the declaration) or that the period, if any, during which they have resided here (before making the declaration) will together with the period they intend to stay aggregate to not less than six months, will be registered as Hong Kong residents as far as the Ordinance is concerned.

Resident Card

Application forms, available at the Quarantine Authority office, must be completed by the applicant and approved by the Quarantine Authority before the applicant is given a Hong Kong Resident card.

The applicant is required to give his full name, occupation, nationality, place of birth, date of entry into Hong Kong, length of time already resident, length of intended stay, present address, business address and family, if any, to be registered as Hong Kong residents.

The majority of the 15 applications received by the Quarantine Authority yesterday were from residents in the Gloucester Hotel.

\$127,500 Estate Left By Woman

Local estate, sworn under \$127,500, was left by Mrs. Margarita Roxas Vda. de Soriano otherwise known as Margarita Roxas Y de Ayala Vda. de Soriano, otherwise known as Dona Margarita Roxas Y Ayala, who died at San Sebastian, Spain, on March 7, 1948.

An application for the grant of Letters of Administration with certified copy Will annexed, has been granted to Mr. R. A. Wadsworth, Solicitor.

James Hebling of 10 Gloucester Court, George V Avenue, West Worthing, Sussex, Retired Tea Merchant, who died at 38 Mill Road, Worthing, on May 29, 1948 left local estate sworn under \$64,100.

An application for re-sealing certified copy Probate has been granted by Mr. C.D. Slade, Registrar-in-law, for and on behalf of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Hong Kong (Trustee) Limited.

Local estate, sworn under \$81,200, was left by The Rev. John Hartforth Jacques otherwise known as Canon John Hartforth Jacques of the Vicarage, Kingston on Weymouth, Dorsetshire, who died at The Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Hampshire, on January 2, 1948.

An application for re-sealing certified Probate has been granted to Mr. C. D. Slade.

EVICITION CASE

Hearing of the application for eviction of The Apollo Bookstore from 87B Des Voeux Road Central, was adjourned yesterday by Mr. V. L. J. D'Alton until 10 a.m. on March 10.

There was no hearing of the application yesterday as Mr. D'Alton, who is sitting as Chairman of the Tenancy Tribunal before which the application is being heard, was engaged in another Court.

Mr. D. B. Evans is representing Messrs. Anderson, Meyer & Co., Ltd., the applicants, while the opponents, The Apollo Bookstore, are represented by Mr. J.M.D. Almeida Retindor.

Plaques Presented



The Royal Scots and Middlesex Regiments which took part in the battle of Hong Kong were presented with plaques from the Hong Kong Defence Force, conferring the officers of the Regiments permanent honorary membership of the Hong Kong Defence Force Officers' Mess. Pictures show Major R. W. B. Cunningham (with moustache) (Royal Scots) receiving the plaque from Colonel L. T. Ride, Commandant of the HKDF, "Sunday Herald" Photo).

Salvation Army Plans New Block Of Buildings

Construction of a new block of buildings to house its headquarters is one of the plans of The Salvation Army this year.

The Salvation Army needs at least HK\$100,000 more to carry out its programme this year. An appeal was made yesterday for contributions which may be sent by cheque to the present headquarters at Union Building, Pedder Street.

A brief outline of the work of the Salvation Army in Hong Kong, issued by Mr. F. T. Waller, Officer Commanding, says:

"During 1948 the new Home for Girls at Kwai Chung was successfully opened. At Wanchai the School for Poor Children, the Vocational Centre, and the Street Sleepers' Shelter, functioned at full pressure. Employment was found and general relief given to individual cases. Our evangelic and social work was maintained according to our promises made at the beginning of the year.

"For 1949 we are committed to continue all these activities and we plan the erection of a new block of buildings in Kowloon to serve as our Headquarters, Evangelic and Social Centre, and staff quarters. Government has granted the land but we need \$250,000 for building and equipment. Our London Headquarters, gentling \$80,000 and will lend up to \$120,000 towards the cost but we must raise at least \$50,000 locally.

"Our general budget for 1949 for all our work, including the maintenance of King's Park Children's Home and the Kwai Chung Girls' Home requires \$300,000. Our London Headquarters is giving \$104,000 (including the building grant). After taking into account the prospective loan of \$120,000 we must raise locally by government and public subscriptions, \$240,000. We shall need at least \$100,000 from our friends and therefore appeal for generous donations.

Reminders

Today

HK Art Club sketching class, members to assemble at Kowloon Star Ferry, 10.30 a.m.

Classical Concert, Toe H Club, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

HK Light Orchestra concert of popular music, The Gripps, HK Hotel, 8 p.m.

Lion Rock Mountain Race, Chinese YMCA.

St. John's Cathedral organ recital, 9 p.m.

Catholic concert in honour of St. Thomas Aquinas, Rosary House, 8.30 p.m.

Talk of "Lost Among the Gods" by Mr. W. G. Harmon, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.

Polo and Hunt meet, at Mal Po, New Territories.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Sports Club general meeting, Sports Building, 5.30 p.m.

Overseas Club of Urban Council cocktail party in honour of Mr. James Reid, Jacobean Room, HK Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.

TUESDAY

HK Rotary Club luncheon, talk by Dr. Rose on "A Surgeon Looks To South China", Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Whist Drive, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Toe H Club meeting, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Men's Club of Hong Kong, luncheon at Chinese Bankers Club, Bank of East Asia Building, 12.40 p.m.

Maiden Trip To HK Of Swedish Ship

(By Our Harbour Reporter)

The new Swedish motorship Citos (Dodwell) had an unwelcome initiation at Melbourne before making her maiden voyage to Hong Kong, where she arrived yesterday.

For 90 minutes the 2,000-ton vessel drifted helplessly in Melbourne harbour after a violent gale had torn her away from her moorings. The Citos hit two steamers anchored nearby, including the Panamanian ship Reno, sustaining damage herself on the shelter deck and propellers.

The accident occurred at 4 p.m. on Sunday. It may be another den storm caught the Citos off the shore. Being a Sunday, there was no work on the main engine, and the pistons had been taken off.

After being buffeted severely, the Citos was torn away from her moorings and drifted helplessly. The erratic winds carried her to and fro in the harbour for nearly 90 minutes.

Two small tug boats attempted to pull her back but they were themselves carried away. The anchor was dropped, but proved ineffective. The Citos was pushed about unceremoniously, moving at about three knots.

The Citos struck the Reno and damaged her bridge. She was pulled away and hit another British steamer, according to the officer.

"We lost a propeller screw and suffered damage on the shelter deck. But it occurred during the loading of cargo there, hence there was no delay in our schedule," Mr. G. Rylin, Swedish master of the Citos, said.

Dodwell and Company, local agents, reported here on February 1 that their ship was released on a bond and would be expected to reach here on March 3.

No Answer

Travel Advisers, local agents for the Panamanian "Refugee Ship" Reno, which arrived here recently en route to Shanghai to evacuate DP's under charter of the International Refugee Organisation, declined to answer enquiries regarding the Reno.

"We are only agents for the Reno, which left for Shanghai recently. We don't know of any incident involving our Panamanian vessel."

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NOTICE

ISLAND BATHING BEACHES

Private Bathing Huts on Middle Bay and South Bay Beaches

1. Applications may now be made by bona fide Hong Kong residents to the Secretary, Urban Council, for the occupation during the current bathing season of existing huts and pre-war hut sites on Middle Bay and South Bay Beaches.

2. Application forms may be obtained from the Secretary, Urban Council, General Post Office Building, (top floor).

3. Fully completed application forms must reach the Urban Council offices before noon on Saturday, 19th March, 1949.

4. Existing huts and sites have been classified as follows:—

Class "A"—Hut in good condition.

Class "B"—Matched or hut not in good condition.

Class "C"—More remnant or foundation.

5. The following permit fees will be charged for the current season from 1st April, 1949, to 31st March, 1950:—

Class "A"—\$500.00.

Class "B"—\$150.00.

Class "C"—\$50.00.

6. Application forms will only be issued against payment of a fee of \$10.00 which will not be returned. Persons applying by letter to the Secretary, Urban Council, for an application form should enclose a cheque for \$10.00.

7. The allocation of sites on the two Island beaches will be determined by ballot, which will be held in the Urban Council Chamber at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, 22nd March, 1949. Applications will not be considered in respect of specific sites or in respect of any particular class of hut or site. In the ballot more names will be drawn than the number of sites available and a reserve list will be prepared in case any successful applicant fails to take up the site allotted to him. Successful applicants will be informed of the result of the ballot and will be required to pay the appropriate permit fee into the Treasury before noon on Wednesday 30th March, 1949.

8. If a successful applicant should give the cable vessel as wide a berth as possible and should proceed at dead slow speed while in the vicinity.

9. Persons who have applied to the District Commissioner, New Territories for huts or sites in the New Territories are not debarred from applying for huts or sites on the Island beaches, but if they are successful in the ballot for the Island beach sites, they will be required to withdraw their names from the subsequent ballot to be conducted by the District Commissioner, New Territories.

10. Successful applicants will be granted permits limiting their occupation of the huts or sites allotted to them to the period specified in paragraph 5. Subletting or exploitation of huts or sites for gain is prohibited.

11. The permit will not be renewable and on its expiry the site and all materials remaining on it will revert unconditionally to Government.

BATHING MATSHEDS FOR ATHLETIC CLUBS

12. Existing permits for sites allotted to athletic clubs will be renewed for a further year as from 1st April, 1949. A few additional sites are available on Middle Bay, South Bay and Turtle Cove for allotment to bona-fide pre-war athletic clubs, and any such clubs desiring a site should submit an application to the Secretary, Urban Council. No charge will be made for application forms and the permit fees charged to successful clubs or associations will be purely nominal. Permits will be granted for the period from 1st April, 1949, to 31st March, 1950, only. Subletting and exploitation for gain will be prohibited. A further condition of the permit will be that the matched is to be used exclusively by members of the club or association concerned. On the expiry of the permit the site and all materials remaining on it will revert unconditionally to Government.

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HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company, Limited, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 22nd day of March, 1949, at 12 o'clock Noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

And, NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the 8th to the 22nd day of March, 1949, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. H. PATERSON,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, Feb. 22, 1949.

THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, 28th March, 1949, at NOON to receive the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1948 to elect Directors, and to appoint Auditors.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, 14th March, 1949, to MONDAY, 28th March, 1949, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

B. C. FIELD,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, March 4, 1949.

MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTICE NO. 10 OF 1949

Stonecutters Island—Tai Kok Tsui Cable Area

It is hereby notified that work on the cables in the above area will take place for three days commencing on Tuesday, 8th March.

2. The cable vessel will display the usual signals.

3. Vessels approaching should give the cable vessel as wide a berth as possible and should proceed at dead slow speed while in the vicinity.

N. GARLAND,
Acting Director of Marine.

Marine Office,
Hong Kong, March 5, 1949.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that during the absence of the Manager, Mr. F. C. Clemo, on leave, Mr. C. F. Wood will be acting in this capacity and possesses all the powers heretofore exercised by the Manager.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

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P. W. A. WOOD,
Secretary & Chief Accountant.

Hong Kong, Feb. 28, 1949.

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on it will revert unconditionally to Government.

PRIVATE TENTS

13. Private tent owners may pitch their own tents during the hours of daylight only on Island beaches other than those for which contracts for the erection of public tents have been made or those on which sites are being allotted by ballot. Deep Water Bay, Turtle Cove and some other small beaches on the Island come within this category.

14. It is forbidden to let such tents for hire and any breach of this regulation renders persons liable to arrest or prosecution.

N. B. M. WHITLEY,
Secretary, Urban Council.
Hong Kong, March 4, 1949.

POST OFFICE MAIL NOTICE

With effect from March 3, 1949, all correspondence intended to be forwarded by air to London and other destinations, must be superseded by "By Air to London only". (In future it will not be sufficient to merely supersede such correspondence "Via London").

Mail Service by Air and Surface to Tientsin and Peking is temporarily suspended until further notice.

Outward Mails

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Post close 10 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mail close before 10 a.m., Registered and Parcel Post close at 8 p.m. on the previous day. Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the GPO closing times.

SUNDAY, MARCH 6
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Airmail for Bechuanaland, (Reg.) 9 a.m. 5/3. (Ord.) 9 a.m. 5/3.

Local Cargo Ready For Tientsin Trip

More than 1,000 tons of local cargo, including industrial equipment, are ready here to be shipped to Tientsin aboard the Panamanian steamer Grand. Formerly the Chinese vessel Dah Chung, the ss. Grand is now lying off Stonecutters.

The China Travel Service, local agents, announced yesterday that they are still accepting more cargo. Enquiries have been numerous but no definite orders for space have been made yet.

The ss. Grand will be the first ship to clear from Hong Kong for Tientsin since the Communist occupation, when she begins her regular trips on March 10.

Freight charges are lower than the former rates, an official said yesterday. The company charges HK\$120 per ton. One of the conditions is that no freight cost will be incurred should the vessel be refused permission to discharge there.

Formerly the rate per ton was about HK\$200, the official said. The Tientsin Company, newly organized here declared that they have about 1,000 tons of cargo to be shipped.

"We will try to procure permission to enter Tientsin when the ship reaches Taku Bar," an official said.

Money Market

Gold went up to HK\$308.25 a tael yesterday after opening at \$306.75. The lowest rate was \$306.50. The market closed at \$306.62 1/2.

US Dollars made a further climb to HK\$5.17 1/2.

Gold Yuan for Hong Kong delivery was firmer at HK\$18.25 for 10,000. For Canton and Shanghai, remittances it dropped to \$11.40 and \$11.20 respectively for 10,000.

Piastres dropped back to HK\$3.90 a 100 after opening at \$10.35.

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NEI Guilders were stationary at HK\$13.75 a 100.

Sterling dropped further to HK\$15.15. Australian pounds were unchanged at HK\$12.70.

COAL FROM INDIA

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JANUARY
(December 21-January 19)
If you can make a determined fight against depression and worry, you will do well this week. Difficult going in first few days but you regain poise, find progress easy after Tuesday. Most promising week for developing fresh contacts and, if in trade, for sales.

FEBRUARY
(January 20-February 19)
Personal affairs run on a steady course this week; beware falling out with someone who has been dear to you. About Thursday, however, a stormy change is likely to occur, affecting associations but at the cost of business rivalry and family contentions. Saturday probably the easiest day of the seven.

MARCH
(February 19-March 20)
Try to adapt yourself to rapidly changing situation and don't be too impatient of family claims. A contentious week but you hold your ground, probably secure a personal success on Saturday. Better keep clear of speculation throughout week.

APRIL
(March 21-April 20)
Don't take financial chances until after mid-week; some danger of being let down, making the wrong decision on Tuesday. A good week for travel, domestic and family changes, experimental schemes.

MAY
(April 21-May 20)
Some difficulty in raising all the cash you want in next few days but you may "strike lucky" on Thursday. End of week definitely more beneficial than the first half; better postpone important decisions until last three days. Travel may have to be undertaken at short notice.

JUNE
(May 21-June 20)
Chance to act on your initiative, assert your personality, should develop on Tuesday. An important week in your business life; don't be shy of advertising your own abilities, taking on responsibility. Interesting news of near relatives on Saturday.

JULY
(June 21-July 20)
Some difficulty in seeing just where you are going this week; make quite sure that a trusted associate is not acting behind your back. Wise to shelve anything you can until next week, but some far-reaching step may have to be taken against your better judgment next week-end.

AUGUST
(July 21-August 21)
Quite unexpected developments in the business situation will keep you guessing first half of week. Marriage partner or close business associate meets with adventure and your own plans have to be altered in consequence. An expensive week; don't take on commitments too readily.

SEPTEMBER
(August 22-September 22)
In spite of opposition or lack of funds, it would be foolish not to Jambled Words. take advantage of opportunities that may come your way on Tuesday. Whether or not you get the right co-operation, go ahead; you won't regret it. New schemes develop rapidly first half of week.

OCTOBER
(September 23-October 23)
Contracts, documents, leases, play a leading role in this week's programme. It looks as though you will enter upon a contract that means a change of routine or mode of existence. Easiest day of week is likely to be Wednesday—the most important, Tuesday.

NOVEMBER
(October 24-November 22)
Be wary how you deal with officials or new associates this week; difficult passages ahead in next few days. Probably Thursday will coincide with your most successful business attempt, but

WHAT THE STARS FORETELL

By R.H. Naylor

throughout week some difficulty will be aroused in balancing expenditure and income.

DECEMBER
(November 23-December 20)
If you can keep on good terms with those closely connected with you, you will do well this week. But tension likely to arise both in the family and among fellow workers or staff. Caution necessary over new contracts and, more particularly, overpassing of news or gossip.

SUNDAY, MARCH 6, FOR YOU
In the period between the year of unusual like-up but equally unusual happiness. Orthodox friendship or love affairs will probably run a stormy course.

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, FOR MOST OF US: Be prepared to have today's plans changed unexpectedly before noon; useless making hard and fast arrangements. Accident risk high this morning; be careful if travelling. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Wine red, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Good and bad fortune are about equally balanced in your birthday stars this year, for though on the one hand you will undoubtedly make a good deal of money, yet you will find long-standing commitments and old debts very tiresome. Your increased income in the coming twelve months will be offset by heavy claims by dependents and older people. But there should be a pleasant financial surplus, nevertheless. Also, you find more scope for your activities in 1949 and manage to enjoy life more than you have done lately. In spite of family worries it should be a happy period. Don't expect to make gains through property in the next few months. Indeed, it might be worth while cutting your losses in anything of this kind and concentrating on other new ventures.

Also, avoid schemes in which an older relative or family friend is closely involved. There will be some frustration in family affairs during most of the year and a good deal of anxiety about older people. In particular, older women are likely to be a burden and there is the likelihood of losing an older relative. Better not take relatives and their advice too seriously this year. Be prepared to act on your own initiative and judgment, particularly in personal matters. If contemplating marriage, go ahead, however much the family may object. If already married, do your best to keep relatives out of your domestic affairs.

MONDAY, MARCH 7, FOR MOST OF US: Don't rush into decisions that you may regret this morning; wiser to wait until late in the day before making any move that matters. Evening hours bring unusual experiences for many people. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Lavender, 7, Opal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Now begins a quite out of the ordinary year. You won't be able to regulate your course through 1949 be anything that has happened to you previously. Again, and again you will have to readjust your ideas, follow up some unusual but important suggestion. It will be a better year for the creative worker than for anyone engaged in business.

For those who earn their living by the arts or who are engaged in religious or philanthropic work, this will be a time of achievement and inspiration. Important months are likely to be June, August and October. The first few months of the year may bring disappointment and quarrels, unless you are careful. Both in business and personal link-ups there is some danger of an abrupt ending to a useful tie. The same period will be also be unsuitable for speculation.

You will find that your intuition is working at high speed in 1949 and that you will have unusual dreams and curious experiences. Both in personal affairs and more practical matters it looks as though you could rely upon "hunches" in 1949. You will probably take a leading part in some

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local activity some time between June and October and find speedy realization for what you are doing.

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, FOR MOST OF US: Good for outdoor work, sport, daring ventures. Confused outlook though for anything that concerns finance or the law. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Orange, 1, Diamond.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: For the first few months of your birthday year you may be uncertain of what you want or where you are going, plans should have developed very satisfactorily and clearly by the middle of 1949. Round about June you will probably make some important change in your affairs. Don't be afraid to launch out in a new direction this year. Though the immediate result may be a slight reduction in income, you should recoup yourself by your next birthday and gain in other ways. For instance, you should add to your personal prestige and gain fuller scope for your abilities.

Downright methods will pay this year. Don't get involved in anything that savours of double-dealing or intrigue. Also, avoid anything of a speculative nature or that is expected to bring in large and immediate profits. If interested in sport or outdoor activities, this should be a happy and successful year. You will gain distinction of some kind either in the next few months or about November next. It should also be an excellent year for anyone in the Forces or engaged upon engineering work.

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, FOR MOST OF US: Better not make any far-reaching decisions today; difficult to get a clear idea of the business or general situation. Mildly favourable for travel and entertaining. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Leaf Green, 4, Emerald.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 12, FOR MOST OF US: Better give up at least one portion of today to entertainment, meditation, music. If business activities on hand, be prepared for surprises. **FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE:** Lavender, 7, Opal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: This is likely to be a most interesting year in the personal sense but a little bewildering where your career is concerned. You will probably grow in mental and spiritual stature in 1949 but be constantly perplexed by developments in your business circle.

Remember that an idealistic view of life and people would be most practical policy in the end. You would gain more in 1949 by generous understanding and action than by grab-all methods. In short, the better your disposition, the greater your reward this year. Money worries should not bother you. Although it will be difficult to see far ahead, provided you are content to live from month to month all would be well. It would be foolish to make plans or commitments that extend into 1950.

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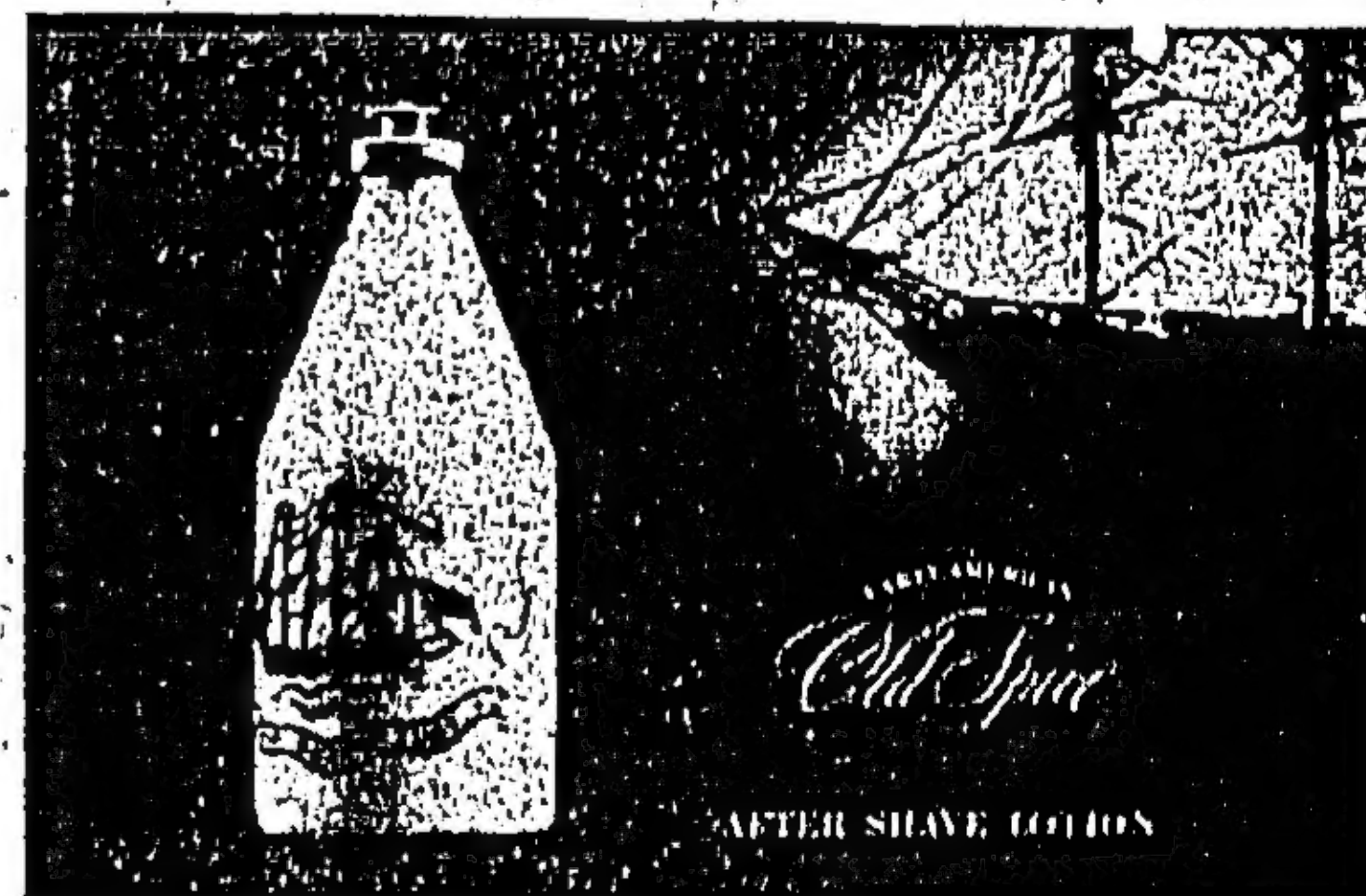
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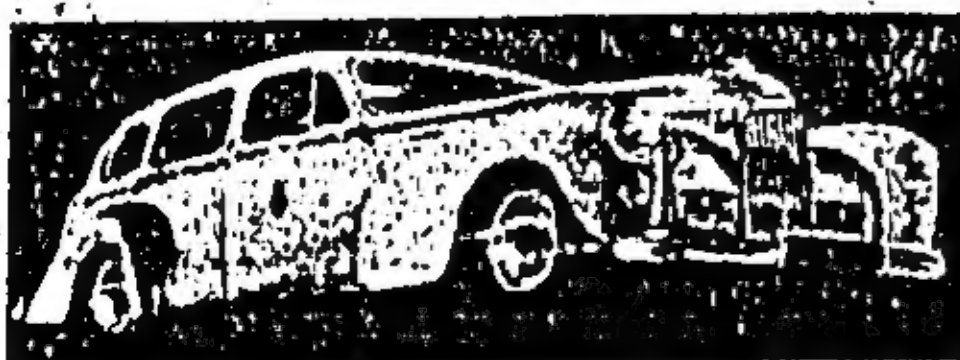
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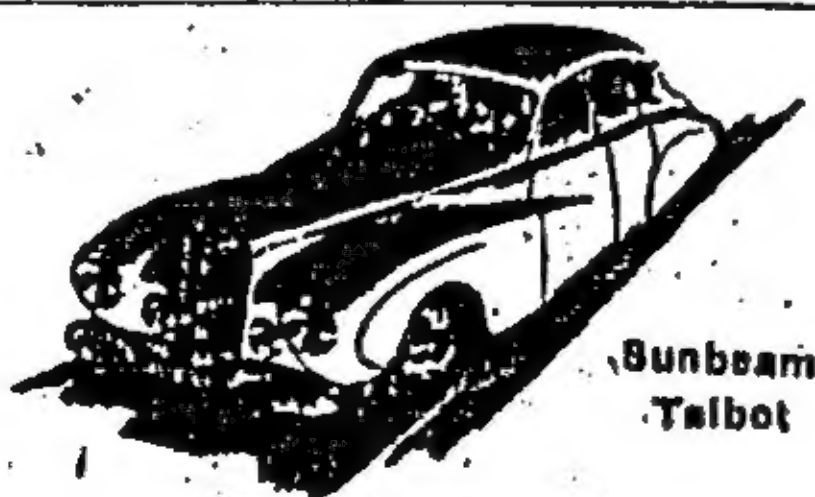
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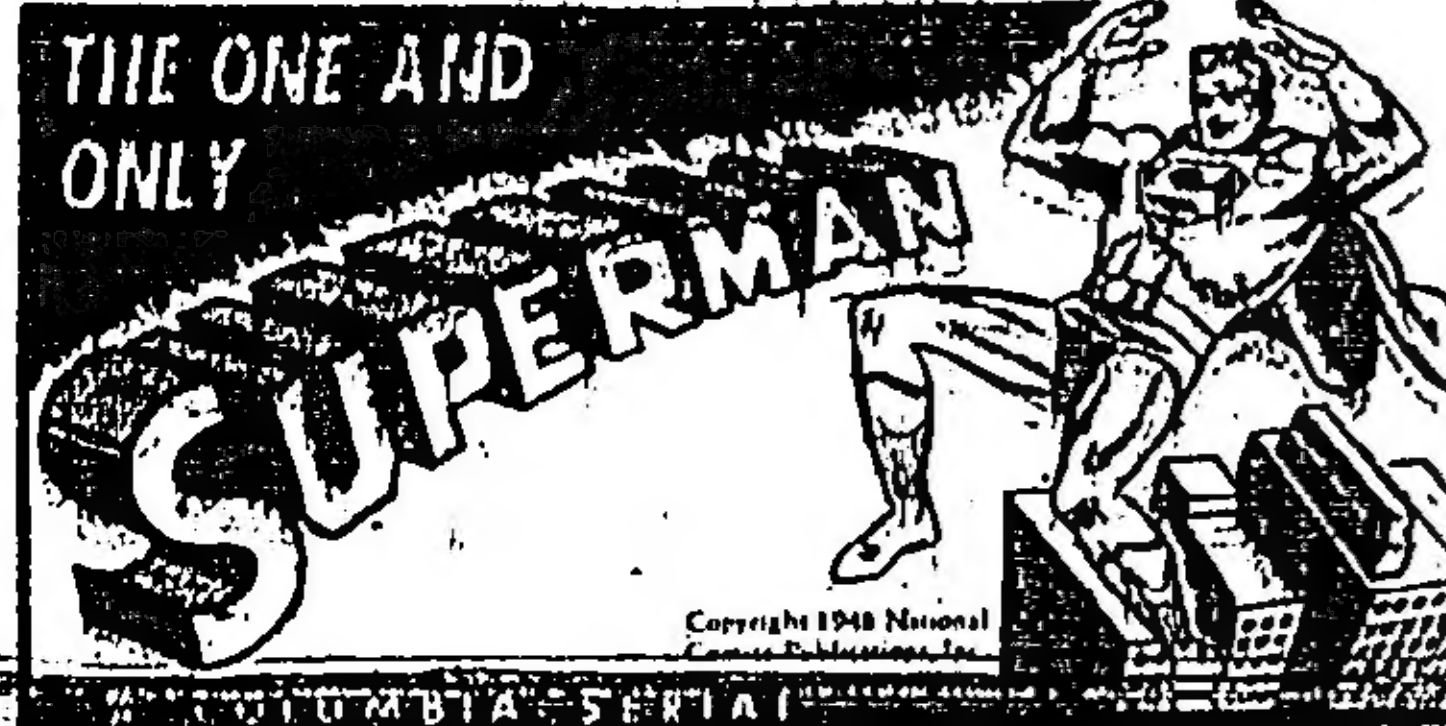
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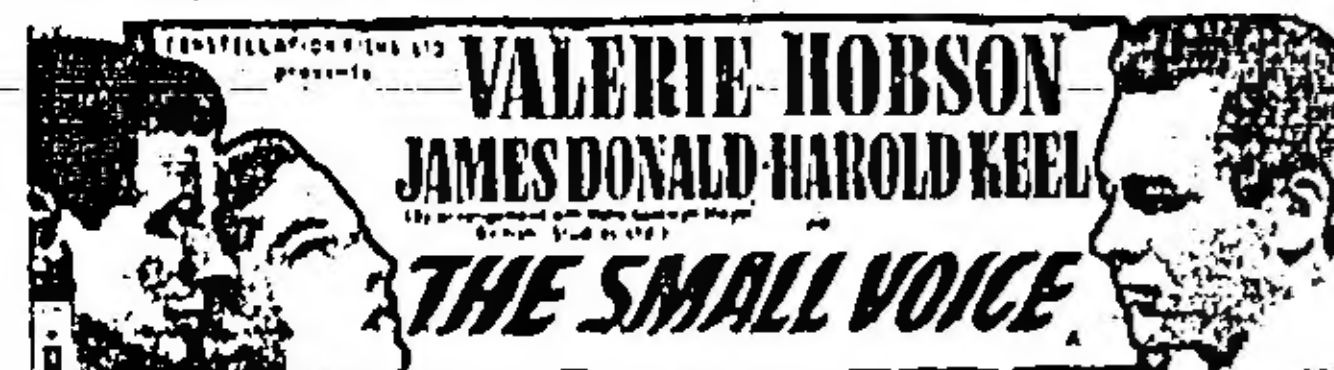
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HISTORY AS MOSCOW SEES IT

Moscow, March 4. The American and Russian line-up of troops in Germany during the final stages of the war has been filmed under the title "Meeting on the Elbe," according to Tass, the official Soviet news agency. The film, which has incidental music by the Soviet composer, Shostakovich, is said to show the American and Russian troops meeting on the Elbe river in April 1945.

The American progressive forces were personified by an American commandant of a small German town, who was subsequently discharged from the Army for his friendship with the Soviet people.

"The Soviet policy is shown working towards economic rehabilitation in the defeated country and the building up of a united democratic Germany," Tass said. Reuter.

Confessions Obtained By Force

Heidelberg, March 4. An American review board today announced its finding that "occasionally" and "in the heat of the moment" physical force was used to obtain statements from Germans on war crimes charges.

The board was set up by the American authorities to investigate allegations of physical violence during interrogations before the "Malmédy massacre trials," in which 12 members of an SS tank regiment were sentenced to death for their part in the massacre of American prisoners. Other allegations were that the accused had been forced to sign false confessions and that the defence had been hampered in its work.

The board made no recommendations either for or against clemency. It found that some of the methods more generally used, such as isolation and deceit, might have been necessary, and that the more reprehensible methods of intimidation and violence were not systematically practised. The board found that the Americans used mock trials, threats to deprive relatives of suspects of food, "stool pigeons," and "a general use of other ruses and stratagems."—Reuter.

New York, March 5.

Does Moscow feel the time is ripe for reviving the Lenin dream of world revolution? A new Comintern—Communist International—embracing the Communists of all the world may be taking shape. Events of the past fortnight form a pattern which seems to indicate this.

In quick succession the Communists of France, Italy, Britain, Germany, the United States and Austria have announced they would welcome the "liberating armies" of the Soviet Union if war should erupt between the East and West.

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The war had much to do with Russia's temporary disavowal of the world revolution idea.

The Cominform

In the early years of the war the Communists weaved this way and that according to events in the Soviet Union. The world's Communists denounced Western "imperialism" while Russia was tied up with Germany in a non-aggression pact, and then overnight found the war a holy one against Fascism when Hitler attacked the Soviet Union.

With the war over and the Allies victorious, the Russian attitude began to change again. Nationalism no longer was popular with the Russian Communists. The Cominform was formed around the Communist parties of Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Bulgaria, Hungary, France, Italy and Yugoslavia, with the announced intention of fighting the Marshall Plan for European economic recovery.

The announced purpose of the Cominform was propaganda, but it turned out to be a little Comintern, closely knitting the Communists of Europe. With the rising West-East tension, negotiations by Atlantic pact negotiations, the Communist pattern began to take shape.

Maurice Thorez, Secretary General of the French Communist Party, said the French people might be led into war against their wishes and might find that the Russians had to "chase the enemy onto our soil." In such a case, he said, the French would welcome the Russians as liberators.

Musical Round

The echoes had not died away when Palmiro Togliatti, fiery Communist boss of Italy, made a similar statement. Two days later Harry Pollitt, General Secretary of the British Communist Party, said British Communists would try to sabotage any "imperialist aggressive war" against Russia.

Similar statements were made by German, American and Austrian Communists. The statements all had something in common. They were all carefully prepared and, with the possible exception of the Austrian one, all were issued by the Party's top leadership. It was like a musical round, each new note coming in on the main theme.—Associated Press.

Western Union Body To Meet

London, March 4. The Western Union's Permanent Committee will meet in London tomorrow to finish drafting invitations to a 10-nation conference of Ministers to create a Council of Europe. The Foreign Ministers of Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg may attend the conference, which is likely to be held in Paris within the next four weeks.

SCOTCH CHURCH CONDEMNATION

Edinburgh, March 5. Church of Scotland leaders condemned here today the campaign of "persecution" directed against Church leaders in Hungary and Bulgaria. Meeting as the Commission of the Church's General Assembly, they agreed to forward to the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and the Secretary of State for Scotland, Mr. Arthur Woodburn, a resolution condemning the "persecution" of Church leaders in Hungary and Bulgaria. The resolution may be devoted to lead to the release of those suffering such a cruel fate.—Reuter.

North Sea Plane Hunt For Ship

A chartered plane left Copenhagen today to search for the North Sea for the missing Greek steamer, Ioannis, which sailed a week ago from Hull with a cargo of coke for Kiel en route to Denmark.

Captain Panagos Samonas, part-owner of the vessel and brother of the ship's captain, Theodoros Samonas, made two flights from Hull yesterday without finding any trace of the Ioannis.

He chartered the plane at Copenhagen today to make a further search. The plane will refuel at Amsterdam and continue the search in Danish territorial waters if necessary.

Weather is believed to have been good until February 27 when the ship was 31 hours out of Hull. The Ioannis carries a crew of 12, mostly Greek and Maltese.—Associated Press.

Evictions In Rumania

London, March 4. Holders of small and medium sized holdings in Rumania were evicted from their homes before the new Government decree on the expropriation of land was published, a Foreign Office spokesman said here today.

The spokesman said the British Minister in Bucharest, Mr. Walter Roberts, had sent evidence that they were evicted in the early hours of March 2. The Rumanian papers carried the decree on that date.

According to British reports from Bucharest, persons with small children were compelled to leave their homes with only a few possessions at a few hours' notice, the spokesman said.

The evictions were begun by agents of the Communist Party and the Government.—Reuter.

American Snub To Latins

Washington, March 4. The United States today declined to attend a meeting of inter-American countries in Havana in two weeks' time to discuss "the fate" of European countries in the Western Hemisphere.

British officials here welcome the boycott. Several influential Latin-American nations are expected to follow the United States' lead.

The principal areas under dispute are the Falkland Islands, where British control is challenged by Argentina, and British Honduras, where control is disputed by Guatemala.—Reuter.

JUST AN OLD RUSSIAN CUSTOM

Moscow, March 5. The average length of skirts at a Moscow exhibition of Spring fashions was 14 inches above the ground.

Tass, the official Soviet news agency, said that with these fashionable skirts, an old Russian fashion is being revived—the "poddevka"—which consists of a tight waist and a white skirt.—Reuter.



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She is believed to be the first British ship to "go gay" in this fashion.—Reuter.

SMITH REFUSES

Lake Success, March 5. Mr. Walter Bedell Smith, former United States Ambassador to Moscow, has declined the post of United Nations Placemir Administrator for Kashmir, on grounds of ill health. It was learned here today.—Reuter.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

H.K.T. 10.20 a.m.—Programme Summary.

10.31 a.m.—"Strings with Wines".... George Melachrino and His Strings with Linda Grey. (10.31)

11.00 a.m.—Short Grand Recital by Alfred Bittard.

11.10 a.m.—Interlude.

11.16 a.m.—Relay of the Service from the English Methodist Church, Fenchurch Street, London.

12.00 p.m.—London Studio Concert.... New London String Ensemble. (11.57)

12.40 p.m.—New Variety with Phil Harris. (Vocal, with his Orchestra).

1.00 p.m.—The Kentucky Orchestra.... Green Catby and John Dunsen Soloists.

1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25 p.m.—Interlude.

1.30 p.m.—A Popular Concert.

2.00 p.m.—Glee Club.

2.05 p.m.—Programme Summary.

2.50 p.m.—Weekly News-Letter. (London Relay).

3.15 p.m.—"Band Call".... BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Rae Jenkins. (11.57)

3.45 p.m.—"The Rhinoceros".... The Latin-American Dance Orchestra of the No. 1 Regional IAF Band. (Studio).

5.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay).

7.15 p.m.—"Looking Ahead" A Review of the Week's Programmes. (Studio).

7.20 p.m.—"Come Into the Parlour".... Music and Song from Northern Ireland. (11.57)

8.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials".... (London Relay).

8.10 p.m.—Appeal for the Salvation Army by the Hon. A. Moore. (Studio).

8.15 p.m.—"Take it from Here".... (London Relay).

8.45 p.m.—"Gems" by Jane Austen. Adapted for Broadcasting by H. Oldfield Box. (11.57)

9.15 p.m.—Symphony Concert. (Falkland Islands). (11.57)

10.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel. (London Relay).

10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.

10.16 p.m.—Symphony Concert. (Cont'd) Brahms: Concerto No. 2 in D Flat Major, Op. 83.... Vladimir Horowitz. (11.57)

11.00 p.m.—Epilogue. Conducted by the Rev. J.R. Handberg. (Studio).

11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

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PATRICK CAMPBELL'S PIECE

I got a dividend the other day from a stock—or was it a share? £4 10s. from a load of 6 per cent. B. Cum. Pref. Imagine getting £4 10s. from a lot of B. Cum. Pref. A miracle! I shot round to the bank and dammed it in. Next day, I ran short, and had to do a cheque to "self" for £4. Ample coverage, however, thanks to the Cum. Pref. Then a letter arrived. With my B. Cum. Pref. inside, marked "Discharge Irregular." And a note from the bank saying they'd debited my account with £4 10s. "Panic set in on the Bourse. Instead of being 10s. in hand I was in the red to the extent of

"Discharge Irregular." I pointed out. "It sounds like something you'd see on the bottom of a temperature chart. What's it got to do with me?" He looked at it again. "It appears," he said, "as though this had been clear enough all along. That the designated payee has discharged the warrant irregularly."

"Of see," I said. "The designated payee has got it now."



bucket shopping, share padding, or selling short.

Shot round to the bank again. A long queue of young girls with those queer green books, and jags of sixpences that have to be counted with the utmost labour by one.

Waited about 20 minutes. Then I handed my B. Cum. Pref. through the bars.

"What's the matter with this?" I said. "It's got Discharge Irregular. It sounds like an infection of the middle ear."

The bank official held my Cum. Pref. up to the light. Then he turned it over once or twice. "What seems," he asked me, "to be the trouble?"

He turned away and began counting some notes.

"Excuse me," I said, after a moment, "but what happens next? I don't want to be debited with £4 10s. for something I haven't done."

"Fifty-four—55—56," he said. "I suggest that you return the warrant to the payee for re-endorsement."

I did so, presuming the payee to be the firm of middlemen from whom my B. Cum. Pref. had emerged.

The thing came back, re-endorsed. I shoved it in, and, after making a

quick calculation, wrote out a cheque to "self" for £2 10s.

They were carrying me already for £4. By paying in, for the second time, my B. Cum. Pref. I got back to the position of having 10s. in hand. In view of the speed of my turnover I thought they probably wouldn't mind lending me 50 bob, extending a total debit of a mere £2.

You'll hardly believe this, but yesterday morning the bank sent back my B. Cum. Pref. again! It now had two diagnoses. Discharge Irregular and Signature Illegible!

The bank, at the same time, did me the honour of informing me that they had once more debited my account with the sum of £4 10s.

Isn't it splendid? I now owe them £6 10s. without so far as I can make out, having done anything whatever to incur this liability.

I have, of course, shored the B. Cum. Pref. back to the middlemen, with an invitation to them to try capital letters, but I rather fancy we've seen the last of it.

I'm tired of it, and the B. Cum. Pref. is tired, too. I don't think it will stand up to another endorsement. I'll just come to pieces in the middlemen's hands, and they'll throw it away, and that will be the end of that.

In the meantime, I'm left with a debit of £6 10s. But, at least, I'm this much further ahead.

I can return now, without regret, to the modest comforts of the weekly wage, a content, for

ever, to leave higher finance to the wilder boys.

A Pointer For The Novice

"Excuse me, sir," said the young man with the battery of propelling pencils in his waistcoat pocket, "could you give me some help with my work?"

"Gladly, son," I said. "What seems to be the trouble? Com-mat? You don't know how to spell chrysanthemum?"

"Not exactly, sir. I was sent round this morning to a gentleman's tailoring emporium to write a paragraph about a patent measuring device which is assisting in the export drive."

"Well," I said, "what's wrong with that? Popular stuff. You're bound to get it slightly wrong, so that the tailor will write a letter of protest to the editor, and then all the other tailors will write in too, pointing out that their measuring device is twice as simple and three times as efficient, and that they're doing four times as much business as the first tailor."

"Yes, sir," said the young man, "thank you, sir. But, sir, the fact of the matter is that I don't seem to be able to write anything about it as all it was just a measuring thing, with a lot of tapes and pieces of elastic. There didn't seem to be anything in it."

"They put it on you, of course," I said.

The young man, wrenched at his handkerchief. "Yes," he said in a low voice. "They found that one shoulder was two inches higher than the other."

I snapped my fingers. "Now," I said, "we're getting it! Naturally enough, you didn't know you were going to have to take your coat off, and your wife—I looked at him again—your mother had cut a piece out of the back of your shirt to repair the collar, and your braces had burst and they were wrapped round your waist, and one of your cuffs was tied with string! It's a splendid story. Go and get it down at once!"

The young man hesitated. Then he said, "Er, thanks awfully, sir. But—"

"Yes?" I said.

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WHAT THE CHINESE PRESS IS SAYING

Shing Tso Jih Pan: According to Dr. W. W. Yen, head of the Peace Mission which has returned to Nanking, there are still many obstacles in the way of peace. He, however, expressed the opinion that hopes for peace are still high.

When peace was first proposed by the Kuomintang following the defeat of its forces in the battle of Huachow, there existed some doubt as to whether the victorious Chinese Communists would be willing to talk peace.

These doubts were wiped away by Mr. Mao Tse-tung's later announcement of the Chinese Communist Party's terms for peace. It is now said that the Peace Mission brought back the official views of the Chinese Communist Party on peace negotiations.

Official quarters at Nanking expect the peace talks will begin in Peking at the end of March. The door for peace is now wide open. The prospects of peace, however, remain dim.

The obstacles which Dr. Yen referred to must be plain to all. The

Chinese Communist Party has repeatedly announced that the revolution must be carried on to the end. Their desire for peace negotiations therefore do not necessarily mean that they will forsake their object.

The Chinese Communist Party will no doubt insist on the removal from the political arena of all feudalistic influence and on investigation of the responsibility for the civil war and punishment of war criminals. The demands will naturally meet strong opposition from the diehards in the opposite camp.

Colony's Constitution

Wah Kiu Yat Po: Hong Kong has a history of more than 100 years. Yet, its constitution remains as it existed in the early stages of its development.

The civil privileges of the citizens of Hong Kong cannot compare with the privileges enjoyed by citizens of progressive cities in the world.

To make the Colony a modern city and to bring it in line with the other big cities in the world, it is absolutely essential to give its citizens all the privileges they are entitled to have.

Air Accidents

New Life Evening Post: In less than three months, two air accidents have occurred. Both were disastrous. Both planes involved were incoming aircraft.

We urge Government to make a deep study of the tragedies and to ascertain where the responsibility lies and what precautionary measures have been adopted.

We trust that Government will make a thorough investigation into the recent air disaster. At the same time we suggest that the Civil Aviation Department should do everything within its power to make the necessary improvements.

Hope For Peace

Wah Kiu Yat Po: Despite the fact that there are more than 1,000,000 Communist and Nationalist troops facing each other on either side of the Yangtze, there is still hope for peace. And, despite the Chinese Communist Party's reiteration that the Party is against foreign intervention in China's peace talks, foreign influence remains an important factor.

It has been reported in diplomatic circles that the Soviet had been compelled to alter her policy towards China's North Eastern provinces because Russia's military training programme will have only a half year to be completed. Russia obviously is in no position today to wage a world war.

Soviet designs in North China correspond with the American policy which is to support the movement for a divided China—North and South, America is closely watching developments in China today. The type of peace achieved at Peking is certainly not to her taste.

The attitudes of the Soviet and America must affect the result of China's peace negotiations. The Kuomintang policy fits into the pattern. Kuomintang diehards are busily making preparations for war. Who are behind the screen of the peace talks on both sides is obvious.

Internal Security

Kung Sheung Yat Po: The proposed Self-Protection guards being organized by shopkeepers in Queen's Road Central is a step forward in plans for internal security.

Such organizations have previously been responsible for maintaining peace and order in Hong Kong as well as in some parts of China.

Co-operation between the police and the population is still lacking in many respects. The reason is not difficult to imagine.

If the proposed Self-Protection guard organization is to come into force, police control and regulation and run, according to the police system, the lack of co-operation will remain. In addition public support will not be freely and willingly given.

Members of the guards should be trained by the police. When they have completed their training they should be placed under the control of the committee in charge of the different streets. This will give the guards a feeling of independence and will more likely gain the co-operation of the public than if they were under police control.

What Is The Russian Sailor Like?

By T. NICHOLSON

Able seaman Ivan Ivanovitch and his comrades of the Soviet Navy who brought the battleship Royal Sovereign back to Kolyth, are the first Russians that many Scots have seen.

How did they measure up to our idea of them?

If, like myself, your knowledge of the Russian language is confined to words like Tovarich, Samovar, Dostoyevsky and Volodka (remembered from the Hollywood film "Anna Karenina") and if your impression of the average Soviet citizen has been culled from some news reel shots and magazine articles, how did you find them?

As a reporter, I probably had a better opportunity than most to observe them. And these are my impressions of Ivan and his friends.

How He Looks

Here and there you'll notice a distinctly Mongolian or Asiatic type, but take the average Ivan, dress him in a Clyde's welder's working clothes, or the dark lounge suit and soft hat of the Edinburgh office worker, and you couldn't pick him out of a crowd.

Ivan stands around 5ft 8ins. (few of them are tall) and looks sturdy and well fed. His uniform and his shoes are on a par with our own Jack Tars. His smartness on parade is definitely below.

How He Acts

So far as the Press is concerned, Ivan gives the impression he is slightly scared about something.

If he sees a photographer approaching, he turns his back. If he can't get out of the way, he is liable to turn round, his hand wagging emphatically and say, "No photographing. We no like photographing."

On his own, he will answer a question, probably doesn't understand, smile and say "Yes." If there's few of his comrades about, he'll say "No understand," or just shake his head.

He knows his political line. I heard of one who noticed a recruiting poster for the Territorial Army. "All wrong," he said. "In Russia our army is demobilised."

He doesn't know the virtue of punctuality. He was late in bringing back the battleship, and late for almost every engagement while he was here.

He was even late for his night ashore with his friends of the Scottish USSR Society, but if there was also that he really let his hair down and seemed to enjoy himself without restraint.

What He Did

Ashore, Ivan looked like no other sailor who has ever visited these parts. He didn't go much to the cafes, or the dance halls. He was never seen in Princes Street or Leith Walk with a girl on his arm.

Ivan went shopping, and he seemed to spend two or three weeks' wages.

He wanted clothes most of all. One city shop sold £250 worth of overcoat and suit lengths to the sailors. Gloves and footwear were also a strong selling line. So were face powders and cosmetics for their wives and girlfriends back home. They chose the best qualities, too.

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Mr. Arthur Morse, Chief Manager of the Bank, said the net profit exceeded that of the previous year by HK\$278,000.

Dealing with the balance sheet, Mr. Morse said total balances amount to more than HK\$2,665,000,000.

Mr. Morse said the increase in currency notes in circulation and more than one-half or 54 per cent is due to the increase in current deposits and other accounts.

Of this figure less than one-half, or 46 per cent, is due to the increase in currency notes in circulation and more than one-half or 54 per cent is due to the increase in current deposits and other accounts.

The currency notes in circulation have increased by the equivalent to or approximately £7,000,000. At the end of the year they totalled more than HK\$728,000,000.

The expansion of the note issue is to a considerable extent due to prevailing conditions in China.

These increases said Mr. Morse, "are reflected on the Assets side of our Balance Sheet by increases in Cash, Certificates of Indebtedness, Investments and Items in Transit together equivalent to approximately £12,500,000, while Advances have increased by about £7,750,000. Money at Call has decreased by £5,000,000."

"You will also observe" added Mr. Morse that the total of Bank Premises has increased since last year by over \$4,500,000, due to the implementation of the building programme to which I referred in my remarks last year. Your Directors therefore recommend that sum of \$3,000,000 should now be written off this item, leaving the book value at a figure just above \$1,500,000 more than last year.

"When we look back at the past year I think it will be generally agreed that one of the most striking developments has been the progress made by Great Britain in her recovery programme. There is now good reason to hope that within the next four years she will regain the over-

Sterling Exchange

"A point of interest to us all is the steady hardening of sterling exchange during the past year, the importance of which was vigorously emphasised in the memorandum submitted by His Majesty's Government to the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation last December, but external aid, internal subsidies, exchange controls and marketing by official organisations make it difficult to get an exact picture of the situation.

"There are, however, signs that London has regained a portion of her former eminence in international trade, and she is, of course, the centre of that exceedingly important multilateral trading system, the Sterling Area.

"The benefits which accrue from British investments in China must not be forgotten. Their indirect value is considerable and this important stake in China, and particularly in Shanghai, deserves the closest attention of His Majesty's Government."

"I am exceedingly satisfied with the way in which the Bank is being served by its Staff, not only in the office I visited but also here in Hong Kong and generally throughout the East. In particular I wish to say a word of appreciation about our Shanghai Manager, Mr. G. H. Stacey, and his Staff there, and the China Agencies where conditions have been, and still are, very trying. I am glad to say that the news from Tientsin and Peking indicates that our Staff are well and our property is intact.

"Whereas in the past China loomed large in the picture of our operations and our Foreign Staff there surpassed in numbers all other areas, the situation now is such that although we still maintain a considerable number of men at our Offices in Shanghai and elsewhere in China, there has been a definite shift of weight towards South East Asia, and our Office in Singapore has grown in importance.

"But it is a remarkable fact that, even making allowances for the inflationary situation which makes figures so decep-

tive, the political troubles, exchange controls and other restrictive practices in numerous places where we operate have not impeded trade as much as would be expected. There is an

Control Measures

"During the year business in Hong Kong has to some extent been restricted by the various exchange control regulations and by the tightening up of the export regulations. Con-

sidering conditions elsewhere, it cannot really be said that these measures are excessively rigid.

"Many of you may have seen the following sentence in the Report of the United Kingdom Trade Mission to China which was published last year. It reads:—

"The more Hong Kong can be made a show-piece of progressive economic policies, of working democracy, of education, the more favourable are the indirect reactions on British trade likely to be." I fully agree with these views.

"While we should not be, and are not entirely satisfied with what is being done in the Colony, I believe that in the main Hong Kong is working along the lines which the Trade Mission thought desirable.

"In referring to the Colony becoming a show-piece of working democracy presumably the Trade Mission had in mind the proposed Municipal Council and the revision of the constitution of the Legislative Council which has been under consideration for nearly three years.

"While it is obvious that matters such as these need very careful consideration by the legal authorities in London, it is to be hoped that we shall not have to wait much longer for the publication of the proposed legislation in its draft form so as to enable public opinion to develop its views on the problems involved and thus to assist Government to decide where the proposals, as conceived, do or do not call for amendment.

"For instance it might prove to be the case that opinion now favours a larger and more representative Legislative Council of which a considerable number of the members would be elected, as is the system in some Colonial territories, rather than a cumbersome Municipal organisation with restricted responsibility.

Trade Figures

"The Colony's import and export figures for 1948 have again surpassed all previous records and are now well more than twice the figures for 1938 while the increase over 1947 was 34 per cent for imports and 30 per cent for exports. There is good reason

to think that the volume of goods imported and exported during the past year is now up to pre-war levels.

"It is interesting to note that quite an important amount of trade has been carried on with Japan and Korea in the past year (over 6½ per cent of the Colony's imports and 6½ per cent of exports—worth more than £14,000,000. The trade with these countries is unfortunately not yet on a normal basis, some being subject to Government purchase and control and some to private barter.

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BRIGHT PICTURE OF HK'S FINANCES

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There has been a brisk import trade in Japanese—plocogoda and recent reports refer to negotiations for a Siam-Japan barter agreement. Despite political developments in Indonesia, there has been a considerable improvement in trade figures. The Bank reopened its office in Sourabaya in April last.

Occupation Debts

Mr. Morse added: "The past year has at long last seen a considerable advance in legislation to clear the tangled skein of financial problems arising from the Japanese occupation of territories in which the Bank carries on business."

"The main problem concerned pre-occupation debts which debitors had purported to pay to Japanese liquidation officers either in good currency or in unbacked paper notes with which the Japanese had flooded the occupied territories."

"In Hong Kong the problem was solved on the principle that it was equitable for Government to require the banks to make concessions from what were deemed their legal rights in order to avoid lengthy litigation and to relieve the hardship which would otherwise undoubtedly result to those who had paid their debts in good faith during the occupation."

"Such a compromise which was declared by Government to be fair to all parties was achieved by the passing in June last of the Debtors and Creditors (Occupation Period) Ordinance 1948 which gave to debtors of the Bank the benefit of the full validation of all payments made to the Japanese liquidators in Hong Kong currency and partial validation of all such payments made in occupation currency."

"The latter is on a sliding scale based as far as possible on the true value of Japanese military currency at the time of payment. In December the moratorium was lifted and all the restrictions imposed by the production in 1948 were finally removed."

Not Full Justice

"In Singapore and the Federation of Malaya Bills based on similar principles but adapted to special local circumstances were, after considerable controversy, passed by the respective Legislatures last December as a preliminary step to the lifting of the moratorium in the coming spring. However it is my opinion that the Bills do not give full justice to those banks which had been placed in liquidation by the Japanese."

"The delays and uncertainties which have attended the efforts of the various Governments to clarify the position of debtors

and creditors and to undo the fetters that have restricted finance since the war serve to emphasise the part which our Bank has played in the communities which it serves."

"On the cessation of hostilities the urgent need to set again in motion the wheels of industry and commerce and to finance the rehabilitation of the ravaged countries could not wait. "To these tasks the Bank applies its resources unreservedly. Moreover, in conjunction with the Hong Kong Government, it honoured all the notes illegally issued by the Japanese during the war and so removed public doubts and fears of their repudiation."

"In order to avoid lengthy litigation and uncertainties in the matter of pre-occupation debts, it acquiesced in concessions to debtors, in so far as they were reasonably fair, so as to relieve them of hardship which should properly have been alleviated by compensation from the enemy who caused the losses."

"In short the Bank has striven to solve the problems which resulted as a legacy of the war by practical measures which, I believe, have been of general benefit to all concerned."

The motion was seconded by Mr. R. Johnsen.

Directors Re-elected

Messrs. H. D. Benham, C. Blaker and H. J. Collar, the retiring Directors, were re-elected; and Pent Marwick Mitchell and Company and Lowe Bingham and Partners were re-appointed auditors.

Supporting Mr. Morse in the chair were Mr. D. F. Landale, Mr. E. R. Hill, Mr. N. O. C. Marsh, Mr. E. G. Price, Mr. H. D. Benham, Mr. C. Blaker and Mr. H. J. Collar (Directors).

Shareholders present were:

Messrs. E. S. Abraham, A. S. Adamson, J. M. Alves, S. H. Ash, F. C. Black, C. C. Blake, D. H. Blake, J. H. Blinke, B. W. Bradbury, P. S. Cassidy, T. N. Chau, J. D. Clague, N. V. A. Croucher, D. C. Davis, R. A. Dastur, H. S. Dinsdale, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, E. C. Frederick, R. Gordon, T. M. Gregory, G. W. Grey, F. Grace, H. Dawson-Grove, E. E. F. Hibberd, A. Hillaly, H. Owen Hughes, J. Y. V. Hunt, R. Johannesen, J. R. Jones, H. Kadoorie, F. S. Lo (Representing Tak Shing Investment Co., Ltd.), K. W. Lee, H. G. Leong, Leung Fatin, Sir Man Kam-lo, W. H. Lydall, J. F. Macgregor, G. E. Marden (Representing Wheelock, Marden and Company), M. M. Menzies, A. H. Potts, A. Raymond (Representing Mrs. R. Raymond), A. Ritchie, S. H. Ross, J. H. Rutledge, C.B.E., J. H. Seth, R. A. da Silva, W. F. Simmons (Representing Hong Kong Tramways Ltd.), O. Skinner, C. D. Slade (Representing Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Hong Kong (Trustee) Ltd., E. H. Smyth, A. Sommerfeld, G. W. Stabb, Mrs. E. B. Stanton, W. A. Stewart, T. C. Stokes, E. P. Streetfield, P. Taster, M. W. Turner, M. M. Watson, Wong Chi-po, Wong Peng-cheong and others.

Mercy Killer Gets Cheered

Vienna, March 5. People on the public benches cheered in Vienna Criminal Court today when Hildegarde Fasan, accused of the "mercy murder" of her cancer-ridden husband, was found not guilty and set free.

It was stated she gave him morphia and gas.

The court maintained that there had been a suicide pact but found her not guilty in view of her intense suffering, her self-sacrifice in nursing him, and her belief that in view of their agreement she must kill him.

Russian Mission Leaves

Helmstedt, March 4. The Soviet Repatriation Mission, which for two days refused to obey an order to leave the American Zone, crossed into the Russian Zone at this British Zone frontier point tonight.

The eight officers and men of the Mission left Frankfurt today in a convoy of cars and trucks. They had been "blockaded" in their headquarters for two days by the American authorities, after refusing to obey an expulsion order from the United States Military Governor, General Lucius D. Clay.

Marshal Vassili Sokolovsky, the Soviet Military Governor, last night ordered the Mission to leave the United States Zone. At the same time, his deputy, Lieutenant General Mihail Dravits, wrote to his American opposite number, Major-General George P. Hays, calling for the immediate withdrawal of the United States Graves Commission from the Soviet Zone.

New Factories For Australia

Canberra, March 4. Thirty overseas firms, one of them a British aluminium company, whose name cannot yet be disclosed, are contemplating establishing branches in Australia, (Mr. J. B. Chiffey, Australian Prime Minister, said today.

Some of the firms are subsidiaries of American companies which, had already established factories in Britain the belief that dollar restrictions will continue for years, if not indefinitely, the Prime Minister said.

Of the 30, at least half a dozen have already decided to establish factories in Australia, while the rest are at some stage between a tentative inquiry and actual decision.—Reuter.

Hanover, March 5. Bigamy is increasing in Lower Saxony, where there were 271 cases last year, as against 17 in 1945.—Reuter.

AMERICAN SHANGHAIED INTO FOREIGN LEGION

Canton, March 4. An American Navy seaman, missing for more than 19 months from his ship in the Mediterranean, turned up in Canton yesterday.

James Patrick Ryan, aged 24, claims he was shanghaied into the French Foreign Legion and brought half way round the world to fight the Vietnamese in Indo-China.

Ryan says he is only one of several Americans he knows who have been made to serve in the Legion against their own will. Arriving in Indo-China in October, 1948, Ryan escaped over the Chinese border. He then spent more than five months reaching Canton on foot and by riverboat. Suffering from malnutrition and jungle ulcers he was sent to hospital by the American Consul.

Ryan told the Associated Press that his harrowing adventures began when he missed his ship USS Dickson at San Remo, Italy, on July 3, 1947. Hoping to catch it in France he went to Nice where he was picked up by a French Foreign Legion military patrol. "They spoke no English. I spoke no French. So we talked Germany which I picked up during the war," Ryan said. "That was my mistake. They refused to believe I was an American and threw me into a military jail."

"Done For"

Ryan said he wrote several letters to the American Ambassador in Paris but received no reply. "I was guarded 24 hours a day." After two weeks, he was taken to a Foreign Legion replacement depot in Marseilles, and there he was kept in irons. When he refused to sign enlistment papers, Ryan said, he was sent to Fort Icholas prison, where his Navy uniform was taken away, his head shaved and given Legion clothing.

"At no time I was allowed to contact the Consulate," Ryan said. "Seven days later, I was put on a ship (Oran) for North Africa."

"In North Africa, he was taken to the Sidi el Abbas main Legion replacement center. Ryan said he was accused by secret service officers there of being either a German or a foreign agent. Only once release seemed near. Ryan managed to contact the American Legation in Tangiers by mail from a Legion post in Morocco. The legation told him by letter he would be released within two weeks. But before release could be effected, Ryan

said, the French changed his first name and shipped him off to a post deep in the Sahara, where he was trained for the paratroops. "There was no chance of escape. After a week in the desert you are done for. And if the tent didn't get you, Arabs would."

Dash For Border

Upon arrival at Indo-China, he was sent to a post near the Chinese border. "We were attacked every night by Annamese. Seven of us planned to escape. Finally on October 10, 1948, I put out the night guard. Four of my friends backed out of the escape plan. I knew if I were caught by either side it meant beheading."

At midnight, Ryan and two others, a Czech and a German (now in a Canton jail) made a dash for the border through the jungle. They could not use the roads. Once a Vietnamese patrol passed within 10 feet of them as they hid in the brush. On one occasion, Ryan and his companions actually crossed the border, did not know it and returned to the Indo-China side. After days of trek they got back to China and were picked up by Chinese customs officers.

"We were told we were very lucky," Ryan said. "The Chinese said only one man had gotten out before us in the past year." After four months in South West China awaiting the arrival of funds from the American Consul to pay their passage out, Ryan and his friends boarded a river steamer at Wuchow for Canton. Twice en route they were attacked by bandits. Here in Canton, the Czech and German were jailed pending enquiry; Ryan was sent to hospital. Instruction have been issued by naval authorities that he be turned over to the commander of the Navy in the Philippines as soon as practicable. The Navy has listed Ryan as having deserted.—Associated Press.

BRITISH PLANES FOR INDIA

Bombay, March 4. The Royal India Air Force will soon get 100 conventional planes and three jet Vampires from Britain.

Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst, Commander-in-Chief of the RIAF, sailed aboard the ss. Carthage for the United Kingdom to expedite the delivery of machines. He did not disclose what type the 100 planes will be but indicated that they will be propeller driven craft.—United Press.

SCHLESWIG CLAIM FOR SELF-DETERMINATION

London, March 4.

There are good historical claims for self-determination for the people of Schleswig, but the Danish Government has told Britain that it is not concerned with frontier rectifications, Mr. Hector McNeil, Minister of State, told Parliament today.

He was replying to a discussion on Schleswig. Mr. McNeil said Denmark does not make any claims for a plebiscite.

As for local autonomy, Mr. McNeil said that without the refugees the population would be reduced to about 300,000. It would, he said, be out of the administrative pattern to set up an administration for so small a number.

"However anxious we have been to preserve the private rights of these people, it is impossible to put up a good case for separation," he added.

"The Minister said that General Sir Brian Robertson, British Military Governor in Germany, had secured agreement with the other two zonal governments for a tripartite working party to consider the position of German refugees over the three Zones.

"I hope this will happen, as it would benefit not only Schleswig but all," the Minister added. The British Government will continue to be anxious about the Danish-minded people but he did not think that it is possible to legislate for their needs. There can be no guarantees that such legislation will continue after the occupation.

"We have thought it much better that the two peoples should get together—the German authorities and the Danish-minded people—and discuss their problems and arrive at a reasonable conclusion. If that is done, they will continue much longer and be more valuable than administrative actions," he said.

Novor German

Professor Douglas Savoury, Conservative, who opened the debate, pleaded the cause of the peoples of South Schleswig.

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PROMOTIONS FOR RUSSIAN WOMEN

Moscow, March 4. Soviet women should be promoted more rapidly to leading positions in the State, the party and in economic and trade union organisations, the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party declared in a resolution published today.

Such promotion should be a vital State task, the resolution added.—Reuter.

NOVEL SWAP

Vienna, March 4. Dutch firms are sending 200,000 newly hatched chickens to Austria in exchange for 172,000 Austrian cigarette lighters. The first special plane chartered for the transport of the chickens is due to arrive in Vienna on March 18.—Associated Press.

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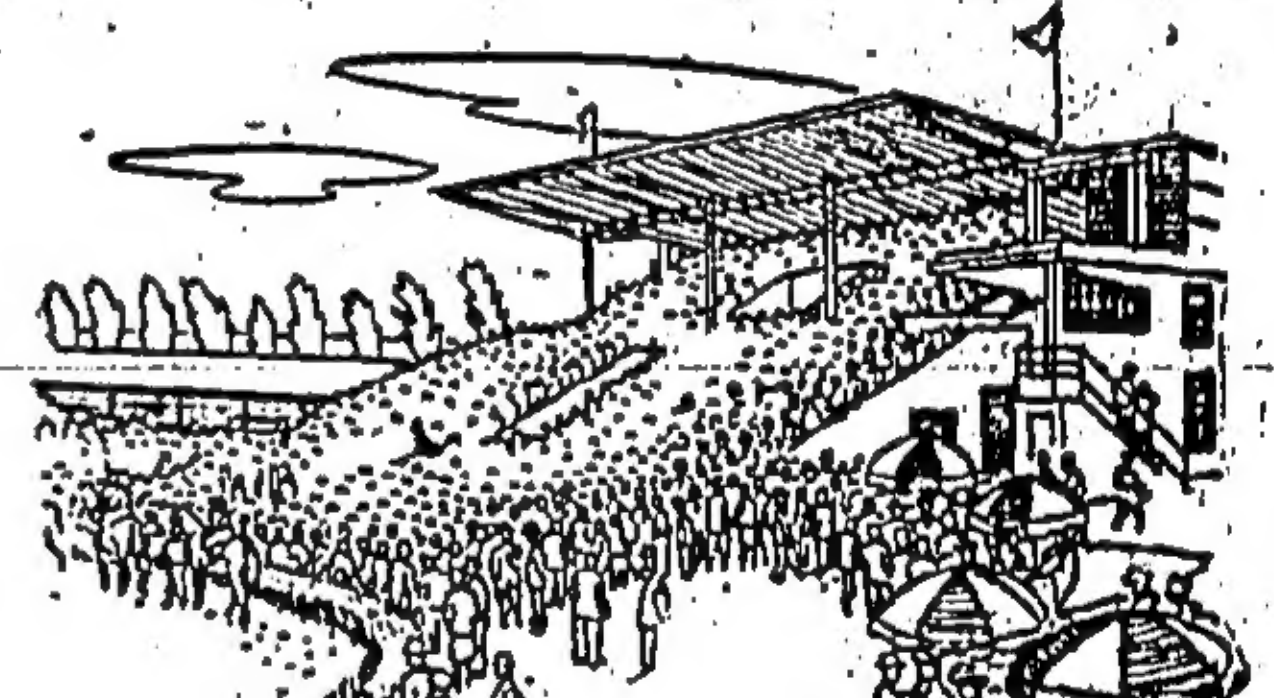
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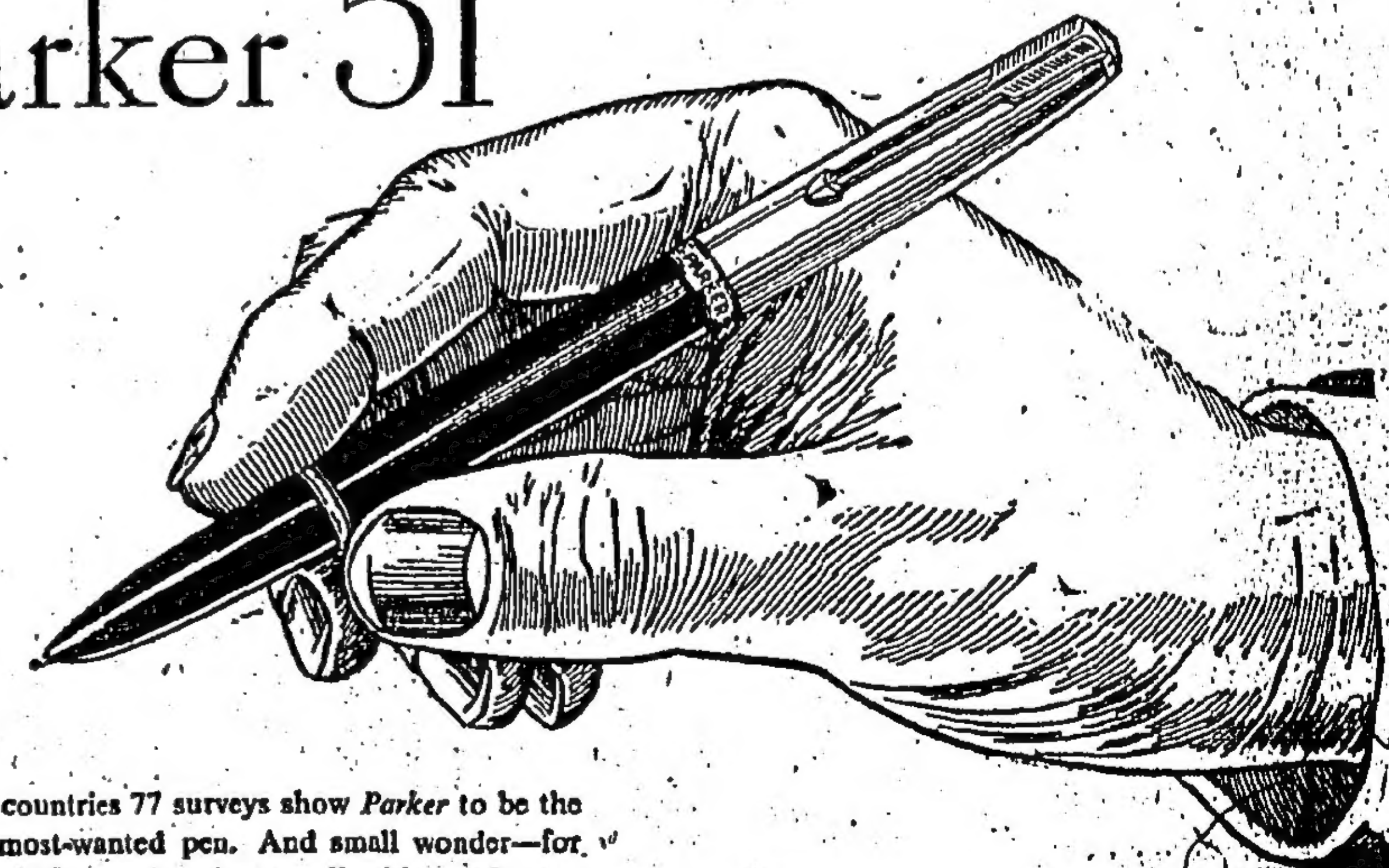
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NICE VOTES IF YOU CAN GET THEM

The recent by-election results for the Conservative Party in its general election. Although more people went to the polls, they did not all by any means swing behind the Tory candidates.

It would be difficult not to sympathise with the Conservative Party's restoration attempt to the present time. Nobody who is a true Liberal (in the British sense of the word, because in America it carries a curious Communist connotation) can dissent from the view that Socialism must logically beget State dictatorship, and it is clearly the duty of every Liberal to oppose such a development in his own country in the most effective manner possible.

The impossibility of changing the present voting system, the sweeping defeat of the padded-out ranks of the Liberal remnant in 1945, and the far-reaching reform along Liberal lines of the Tory Party following its own failure in that year—all these things have indicated the proper course for Liberals to pursue.

Nuisance Value

Their support should clearly go to the Opposition, along of course with such useful prodding and criticism as their pioneering past permit them to offer.

Instead, too many of them have mulishly persisted in becoming a reactionary and obstructive minority whose activities, where they exist at all, merely assist the Socialists in their attempt to consolidate their power over the State. They have become a sort of Left-Wing Dixiecrat movement.

Their only value, save as the excellent citizens and individuals which they usually are, is their nuisance value. Their publicists, led by the venerable Mr. Cunningham, the Liberal Party's own Hammer Swaffer, give confused guidance in which nostalgia for the good old days of the armchair revolts against France-Laval, Franco, and Chamberlain contrasts strangely with a coy affection for such a whimsical autocrat as Stalin.

Their Parliamentary leader, Mr. Clement Davies, in the mean time "rides off in all directions at once," seldom followed by more than a handful of his dozen odd followers.

Crusty Propaganda

Nevertheless, those surviving Liberals who are still articulate greatly assist the Socialists by pinning the recent on the record of the Tory Party in the now distant past.

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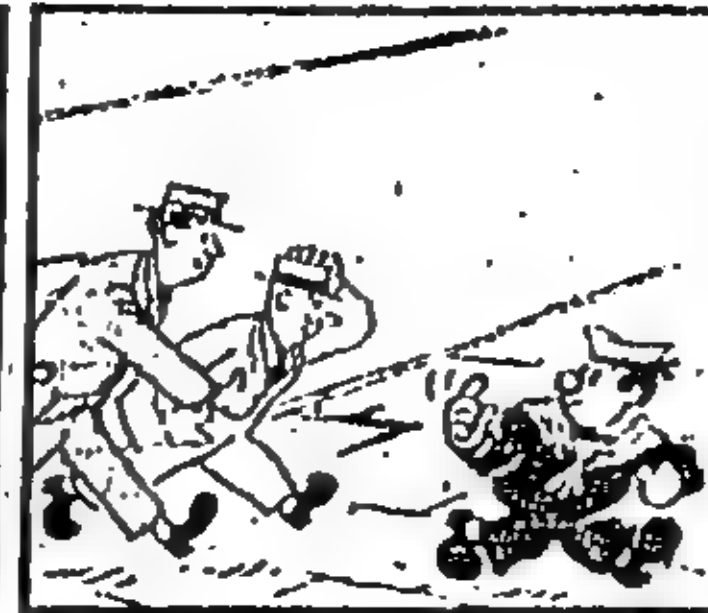
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Baldwin Colour Bar?

Lord Baldwin has presumably by now heard from Mr. Creech Jones the reasons for which he is "on the map." It was allowed to appear as if the Colonial Secretary had been getting some sort of private investigation reports about the Governor of the Leeward Islands.

This mystery should be cleared up out of fairness to all concerned. Lord Baldwin was good enough to tell the Press that it was not his already published speech which had caused the trouble, but he did not further disclose his fault in Whitehall eyes.

One possible explanation might be that he had attempted to introduce a sort of colour bar at Government House, giving way to altogether unqualified prejudice against the white people, particularly the white women of the island.

I don't know exactly what Mr. Paul Robeson had in mind when he remarked that Lord Baldwin "seems to have been doing pretty good things out there."

Grave Impropriety

Certainly he is in no congratulatory mood as to West Indian needs. But it will be interesting to see if Mr. Attlee accepts Mr. Bustamante's advice and "instead of firing Lord Baldwin" sends "more men like him to the West Indies."

Does he detect proconsular intent perhaps in such Socialists as Lord Faringdon or Mr. Dring or Mr. Skeffington Lodge? They are "good mixers," too, in their way, though without Lord Baldwin's breezy, pipe-smoking facade.

There is only one perversion of Lord Baldwin's which neither Mr. Attlee nor Mr. Creech Jones should condone for one instant, and that is his fancy for calling the King's subjects in the Leeward Islands "my people" and his more dangerous threat of their rebellion in the event of his exile.

This was surely a grave impropriety, and alone sufficient to call into question his suitability for office.

GREATEST MAN HUNT IN HISTORY

For more than three years the greatest manhunt in history has been taking place in Europe, says the Monthly Digest of the International Refugee Organisation, issued in Geneva.

The manhunt is the search being made by the International Tracing Service—a branch of IRO—in an attempt to find out what has happened to at least part of the hundreds of thousands of people who vanished from sight during World War II and have never been heard of since.

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YOUR LIFE AND MINE

It has a poetic appreciation of the value of words, and possesses an extraordinary insight into the mysterious realms of childhood. He conveys both the joys and terrors of youth, its visions and its nightmares.

That is what Peter Quennell wrote of Truman Capote's novel "Other Voices Other Rooms." And just recently I had occasion to seek out a book to see if it could help me to remember more clearly a part of childhood which I had forgotten.

My little daughter had left the table and gone up the two flights of stairs to bed. As is her custom, she shortly reappeared in pyjamas and dressing-gown to say good-night.

I saw that the colour had left her cheeks and the large blue eyes looked quite black, the pupils were so dilated. I asked what was the matter, and at first was told, "Oh, nothing."

"There must be something a bit wrong, you look as if you'd swallowed a mouse," I said.

She gave a shaky little laugh, and then came the relieving tears. "I know it's silly, but I get scared up there all by myself," she said. "Sometimes I'm too scared even to come down to the bathroom!"

I thought of our compact, unspooky house; the brightly lit stairway and my daughter's friendly little bedroom with the dolls on the toy chest.

Pass Two Doors

I tried to imagine fear in such surroundings. Then I remembered that she had to pass two doors on the way downstairs, doors that often stood ajar with no light beyond them.

Now you remember, don't you? Surely you too hated to go alone upstairs in the dark? Of course you overcame your fear, and looking back you laugh at it all, but it was no laughing matter while it lasted, was it?

That is what impresses you so much in Capote's book. The way he has remembered and set down the gigantic distortions of the child's viewpoint—his legacy of fears, and the absolute acceptance of his disquiet, that is the inevitable attitude of almost every child.

You read, for instance, of young Joe's arrival at Skully's Landing; the scene is set in the "Deep South" of the United States; but serves equally well to give you a glimpse of your son's innermost heart on his first venture away from home.

The fearful dark of proportion is the same.

Capote's boy asks questions in his now surroundings. The grown-ups think they answer him, but to the child the answer is answered with riddle.

It all seems so familiar when you stop to think, it happened to most of us in one form or another. We wonder, is there then no answer to the distresses of youth's imaginings?

A complete answer is obviously impossible, because the imaginative mind will always supply its own fears. But the adults need not add to them as we do.

We have the tendency to threaten our young from their earliest years, telling them not to do this or that because it is "dangerous." It "will hurt," maybe "he will drown."

Gratuitous Extras

Surely life itself, that huge, unknown quantity, is alarming enough to the child without our gratuitous extras!



A professor of child psychology tells us that these threats implant the seeds of fear. Fear which later in life may lead to physical cowardice, or which can wreck a man's character by robbing him of the power to make big decisions.

By and large, such statements are so deep they are always open to argument, but we can see that it can only be beneficial to lead our little children away from danger as far as possible.

Just until they are old enough to understand that reason and not

fear alone must control their behaviour.

We could try to guard our tongues from senseless threats: "If you do... I shall... And couldn't we be more careful of the way we talk of crime, war, and rumours of war when our children are in the room?"

We must give them the truth as best we can, but do we always know what is the truth? How can I persuade my little girl that there is nothing to fear when she goes upstairs to bed?

She knows already that it is "silly to be scared." But that a fear may be groundless makes it none the less real.

After reading Capote's story of a child I feel the answer lies in remembering and accepting childhood as we know it to be. She shall have company and a cheerful noise at bedtime (the radio has its uses) and as many nightlights as she desires. Now, as I write, I hear peals of childish laughter from the next room, and I am reminded how at the end of the book young Joe walks forward, the unknown has become familiar and he is suddenly unafraid.

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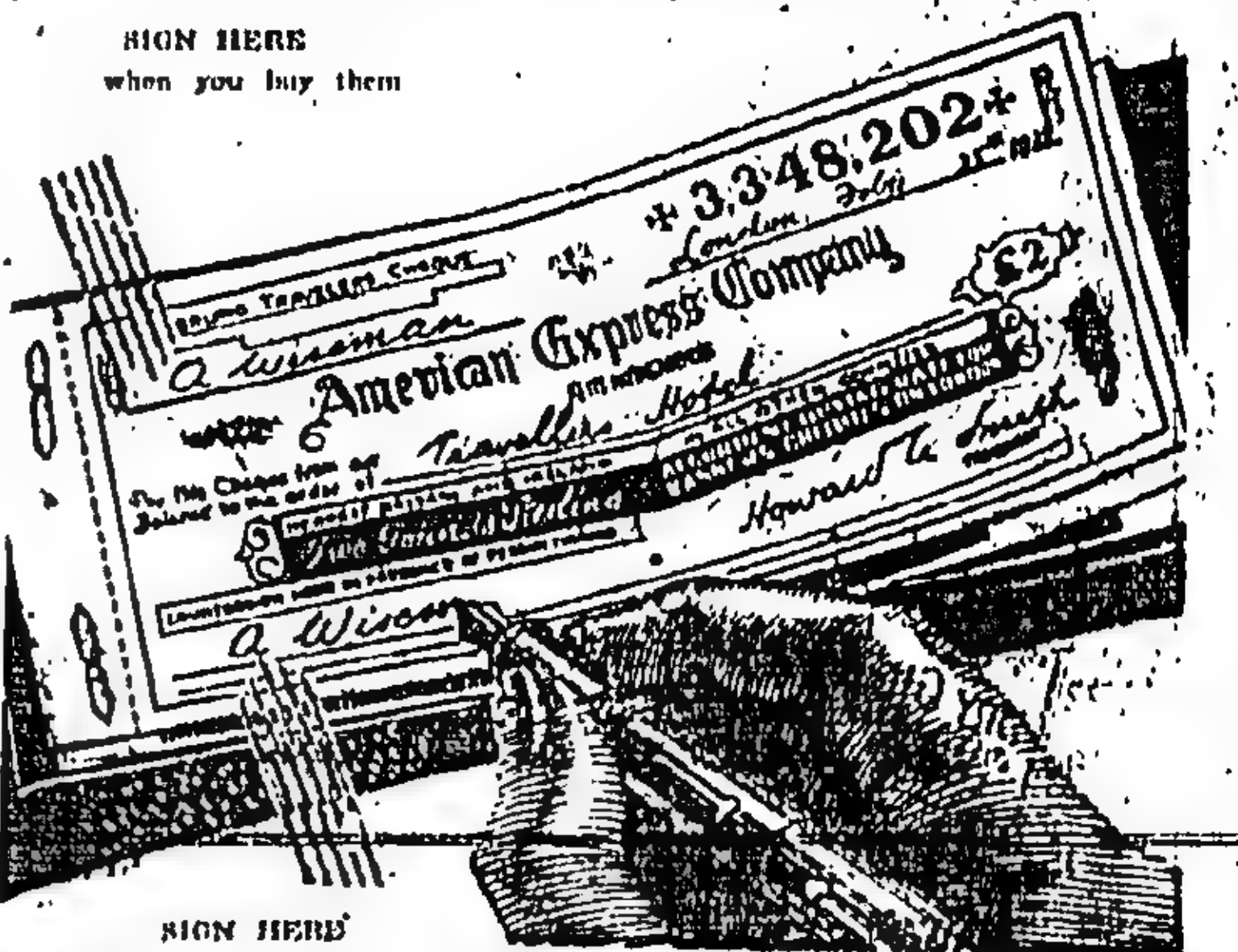
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REVIEW OF HONG KONG

The annual report of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation is traditionally an expert review of the Colony's economic position. The powerful organisation—which last year made a net profit of \$16,792,000—is affected by every wind that blows in these parts, and its senior representatives can speak with complete authority on our immediate past and future.

It was therefore heartening to hear the Chief Manager, Mr. Arthur Morse, speaking with such assurance yesterday on our stability and prosperity, and the expectation that this state of affairs is likely to continue, despite the unique state of uncertainty in world affairs.

He said emphatically: "I do not expect foreign or Chinese merchants experienced in trading on the China coast to pack up in despair. The clamorous needs of China for imported consumer goods as well as for capital goods from abroad, and the over-riding necessity for exchanging exports for imports cannot easily be denied." An efficient entrepot had its value enhanced in troubled times, and the lesson for Hong Kong was obvious.

On purely internal matters in the Colony, Mr. Morse injected a note of tart but thoughtful criticism of our democratic structure. Voicing the general hope that the proposed Municipal Council would not be much longer delayed, he made the important suggestion that a larger and more representative Legislative Council—of which a considerable proportion of the members would be elected—might be better than a cumbersome municipal organisation. This idea might be well pondered, not only by the authorities, but by the general public, and the Reform Club as well.

Mr. Morse considered that one of the most striking developments of the past year was the progress made by Britain in her recovery programme, and the steady hardening of sterling exchange. London had regained much of her former prominence in international trade, and as the centre of the Sterling Area. In this context he made a remark which the Home government should not overlook, regarding the benefits which accrue from British investments in China, especially their indirect value.

One may not agree with some Home-born businessmen's recent appeal to Whitehall to avoid antagonising the Communists, so as to prevent the confiscation of capital goods and equipment, but it is true that the time is ripe for London to take more decisive action in the big cities of China to safeguard the interests of its nationals.

Mr. Morse was also in a strong position when he declared that when the time comes for more loans to China, steps should be taken to ensure that China's earlier creditors should receive a fair deal. Even a partial liquidation of these debts would make for great goodwill, but it is highly unlikely that a Communist-dominated government would consider the matter for an instant, unless the firmest pressure were brought to bear.

On the whole, however, looking at the situation in this part of the world, with the guarded optimism of Mr. Morse, one must agree that the immediate future is much more hopeful than some people would have us imagine.

THE 'SAN MIN CHU-I' TOPSY-TURVY SHANGHAI

FROM G. WARD PRICE

I do not feel called upon to waste my own or my readers' time by replying in detail to the battery of questions (many of them purely) fired at me by "Simple Simon."

Most of them have nothing to do with the theme of my last article—the difficulties and dangers to which Christian Missions are exposed when they attempt to conform to demands to indoctrinate their students with ideologies or propaganda inconsistent with the Christian faith. Would it, for instance, do any good if, merely reversing "Simple Simon's" questions, I indulged in such nonsense as asking whether the great majority of Chinese who migrate to Malaya, Siam, or Burma do so because of the alleged love for the Malays, the Siamese or the Burmese?

Before dealing with a more important issue I will, however, reply to the question whether I "see anything wrong in a ruling clique of any country deciding to enforce its particular teachings on those within its borders?"

Anti-Foreign Propaganda

I most certainly do. The indoctrination of the Germans with "Mein Kampf" and other anti-Semitic propaganda was one of the main causes of Germany's downfall. The uprooting of "Emperor Worship," which converted so many ordinarily peaceable Japanese into fanatics, was one of the objectives of the victorious democracies. The "San Min Chu-I" and General Chiang Kai-shek's wartime book "China's Destiny," with their reactionary anti-foreign propaganda, have certainly done China no good in the eyes of the civilised world. True, a State may have the physical power to indoctrinate its nationals with its own propaganda, but it is not a State which has the moral right to do so if it is in the process of being destroyed.

I wonder if "Simple Simon" is really so innocent as he would have me believe when he asks for particulars of the alleged historical falsehoods, economic fallacies, and xenophobic teachings... in the "San Min Chu-I"? It is hardly an exaggeration to say that almost every so-called historical fact printed in Dr. Sun's work is inspired anti-foreign sentiment, inaccurate, tendentious, or untrue among Chinese readers. To give a complete list and rebuttal of these falsehoods would require many columns. No scholar would accept as correct his descriptions of the origin and evolution of the Chinese race.

Thus, considering the great majority we can say that the 400,000,000 Chinese are exclusively Chinese, having the same blood, the same spoken and written language, the same religion, the same habits and customs, and forming a complete and independent race.

Population Question

The antics that Dr. Sun played with the population question should suffice to make an angel weep. We are told in the course of long-winded arguments intended to show that China's population is decreasing, while that of other lands is increasing that a census taken during the reign of Chien Lung showed her to have a population of 400,000,000, "which has remained stationary ever since, or (as he alleges in one passage) been reduced to 300,000,000. No census was ever taken in the reign of Chien Lung; the official estimate of China's population in the year

he came to the throne (1730) was 125,040,000. The latest estimates of China's population are between 480 and 500 million.

Yet from his false premises Dr. Sun deduces that there are in another century the United States will have a population of 1,000,000,000. China will remain stationary at 400 million, that there will then be 10 Americans to every four Chinese, and that China is, therefore, in danger of ceasing to exist as a nation and as a race.

I must pass briefly over a few other historical falsehoods:

- "Thus the red tribes of America have already been exterminated; the negroes of Africa will soon be exterminated, and the Brown race of India is just in the process of being exterminated." The Yellow Asiatic race is now oppressed by the Whites and it is possible that it will be exterminated before long.
- "The fixed idea and main preoccupation of the Powers is to find an adequate means to exterminate China."

By H.G.W. Woodhead, C.B.E.

- "In fact England then sent the Ambassador Pottinger to Nanking to negotiate a Treaty with Hun Hsiu-chuan, to recognise the heavenly kingdom of the Taiping, and to repudiate the Manchu Emperor. But when Pottinger arrived at Nanking, he was admitted only to the presence of the Eastern Prince, Yang Hsiu-chuan, and not to that of the Heavenly King, Hung Hsiu-chuan, because to see the latter he was required to 'kowtow'."

(This must have been in 1853. Sir Henry Pottinger had left the Far East many years previously, and no such incidents occurred with any other British Plenipotentiary.)

- "The English Revolution can be regarded as a failure, and consequently the form of Government (in England) has not changed until the present day."

Customs Service

Dozens more instances of falsehoods such as these could be given, had I the time and space. One of the more serious, perhaps, is Dr. Sun's account of the development of the modern Chinese Customs Service. First he denies that previous to the first Anglo-Chinese War China had any Customs—a statement which he contradicts later when he states that in bygone years, the yearly sums of taxation were Land Tax and Customs Duties.

Then he asserts that after the Anglo-Chinese War the British were allowed to collect Customs duties, although it is a well-known historical fact that it was not until 1854, and then at the request of the local Chinese officials at Shanghai (where the Native City had been occupied by rebels) that American, British and French officers undertook supervision of the duty collections to protect the imperial revenues.

There has been an international campaign for a fortnight past to crab in advance the North Atlantic Pact.

Three bodies of opinion are interested that the Pact should fail or at any rate that Norway should not accede to it. The first has its source in Russia, where the Kremlin cannot but rejoice to see its threat against Norway fortified by Western suggestions that, when the time came, Norway would be left to face it alone.

The second comes, from Sweden, whose people pull a good many wires in the West, and, having decided against joining the Pact themselves, are anxious to deflect Norway from it also and to win her, if possible, for a Scandinavian alliance.

The third is that of the small but vocal group of "Left-wing" anti-Americans in this country, always eager to catch at points in the American Constitution or in the alignment of American parties, in order to discredit any common Anglo-American foreign policy.

The picture which between them these influences have conjured up is sufficiently absurd. We are asked to believe, in effect, that Mr. Lange, the Norwegian Foreign Minister, went to the United States without a formal invitation, and in the inaugural address and in the subsequent resolutions, Mr. Lange could plainly interpret as otherwise.

The speakers in the Senate did not have to reaffirm all the more roundly the right of Congress to decide, when the time came, whether the United States should declare war or not just because they knew that in the event of

Dr. Sun's economic fallacies and xenophobia are inextricably interwoven. He propounds the thesis that every form of foreign activity in China is robbery. Through what he describes as "economic oppression" China is robbed of not less than \$1,200,000,000 per annum. This "robbery" he classifies as follows:

- Invasion of foreign goods, \$ 500,000,000
- The use of paper notes by foreign banks \$ 100,000,000
- Freight, on transportation of exports abroad, \$ 100,000,000
- Land sales in the Concessions, \$ 4,500,000,000
- Privileged enterprises, more than \$ 100,000,000
- Speculation and other "forms of swindle." Several tens of millions. He reviles his countrymen for trusting their money in foreign banks, or placing confidence in their note issues, without pointing out why the confidence of his countrymen, he alleges that the cost of freight on exports abroad is robbery.

He cites the profits of the South Manchurian Railway as robbery by a privileged enterprise, ignoring, of course, the services it rendered in earning those profits. And he comes to the fantastic conclusion: that the loss of \$1,200,000,000 per annum by robbery by foreigners at the rate of \$3,000,000 within 10 years when, if women, children and the old and the weak are excluded, every Chinese male will have to pay a "personal tax" of \$45 annually to the foreigners. "This alone will suffice to exterminate China in less than 10 years."

Officially Approved

It is not surprising that when lies such as these appear in what is regarded as China's national Bible, School Text-books based on the "San Min Chu-I," and officially approved, should depict a European millionaire, smiling happily, and seated on a pile of silver bullion, with the text "Interest of 10,000 for one. The foreigners make a yearly profit of \$1,200,000,000 in China."

China for many years had an adverse trade balance, but so, too, had Great Britain, France and other countries. As in the case of China some of this balance was met by what are called "invisible exports" and foreign remittances. It would hardly occur to the hard-headed British to suggest that a balance of trade in any one year in favour of, say the United States, ought to be described as "robbery" by that country!

I may claim to have made my points about economic fallacies and xenophobia without quoting further from the numerous examples before me. I shall end up with a priceless gem from the "San Min Chu-I":

"Compare the Chinese with the Europeans; the body of the Europeans has much more hair than that of the Chinese; the reason is that the Europeans have not yet attained the degree of natural evolution reached by the Chinese."

Imagine such nonsense being taught in Schools and Colleges, established, endowed, financed and to a large extent staffed by American and European Christian communities.

When the "old China hands" at the Shanghai Club tell you that this is a country where everything is "cock-eyed and kak-handed," they are not just grousing in the manner of many Britons who live abroad. Though many of them have spent a lifetime here, speak Chinese dialects, read Chinese characters, and are experts on Chinese art, they say quite simply and sincerely that they don't begin to understand the Chinese.

Shanghai combines economic chaos with abundant prosperity. The currency is almost worthless—yet everyone is making money.

100 Miles Away

The victorious Red army is only 100 miles away and trenches are being dug in the suburbs of Shanghai—but the streets are crowded with busy, cheerful people.

Nothing works out logically; it is like "Alice through the Looking-glass." Chinese banknotes are worth less than one-third of their value at the value at which they were "liquidated" last August. The exchange value of the biggest note in circulation being sixpence, bank clerks have to sit up all night packing currency into boxes as big as typewriters, which their customers carry away in sacks and suitcases.

Nobody counts the stuff. That would waste both time and money, for its value falls so fast that it would lose purchasing power while you checked it.

Prices soar as the currency collapses. Everything costs five or six times the figure of a month ago. I have seen nothing like it since the Germans deliberately inflated their mark circulation after the first Great War.

"How do you manage to do business under these fantastic conditions?" I asked a British merchant.

"Oh, we make money all right," he said, "by taking care never to have any money. We work on a bank overdraft—the essential thing being to keep one's account always in the red."

"We pay the bank 90 per cent per month interest on our debit balance, but the currency depreciates much faster than that, with the result that we make a profit on our trading."

"But who bears the loss? Not the banks, I suppose?"

"No, they're making money like the rest of us. It's the depositors who have to hold the baby. Some people are forced by the nature of their business to keep a credit balance. It's value sinks from day to day, but the banks make a profit by putting out such funds on loan at a high rate of interest."

All Laws Go

All the laws of economics are being broken in China; the Government is spending four or five times its revenue—and everyone seems to flourish in consequence.

Rickshaw coolies and shoe-shine boys have never been better fed. They thrive on financial confusion, because even the humblest Chinese can reckon the odds in his favour with the speed of a calculating machine.

They smoke English cigarettes that you at home can't get, and the stalls of pedlars selling rice-cookies, hot soup, sweets, bananas, and tangerines almost block the dilapidated, puddle-strewn pavement of that magnificent, skyscrapered thoroughfare the Shanghai Bund.

Yet on the sidewalks of this decaying, booming city friendless refugees from the war area die in public starvation. The jostling crowds, by comparison with which the Strand would seem

excluded, pay no attention. Not a glance turns in their direction from the passing swarms of tricycle-cabs and jin-rickshaws in which half of Shanghai's 6,000,000 earn their living by transporting the other half.

The Dying Boy

A few hours ago I passed a wrinkled, white-haired woman sitting on the pavement of the main shopping street, crying bitterly. In her arms lay a boy, about 12 years old. He was dead, or as near dead as makes no difference; the ash-grey colour of the face was unmistakable.

"She'd probably hired him," was the comment of a European Shanghaihand to whom I related this grim incident, and when I protested, he explained that there is a "Begging and Lending Union" in Shanghai. "Their agents, quite respectable-looking types, go round collecting toll from the shop-keepers," he said.

The "King of the Shanghai Underworld" is, I am told, a distinguished-looking, elderly Chinese gentleman of immense wealth, sometimes to be met at European dinner parties.

Never, even in the history of China itself, has graft been carried on so successfully as in recent years, due largely to the immense sums which America has provided in subsidies and relief.

A group of families, closely associated with the Nationalist Government, has accumulated vast wealth in the United States. A thousand million American dollars, shared between these individuals, is the lowest estimate of their fortunes that I have heard.

The military situation in China corresponds largely to the Gilbertian character of its political life. European military experts here do not believe many of the stories of great battles in the present civil war.

They compare its strategy with that of the condottieri in the medieval warfare of the Italian City States. The generals manoeuvre and retire, each putting out large claims of casualties inflicted on the other side.

Much of the equipment of the Communists has been supplied them by their Nationalist opponents, who would leave behind weapons or ammunition (supplied by the United States), and then return to collect the silver dollars deposited by their opponents in exchange.

If you ask why the Nationalists are building pill-boxes in the suburbs of Shanghai instead of along the formidable natural barrier of the River Yangtze, which is nearer to the enemy, you are told that it is a matter of "squeeze" and "face."

The "squeeze" is the commission which military authorities are alleged to share with the contractors and the "face" is a bluff to impress the Communists, who are already rumoured to have made an offer of 6,000 gold bars for the surrender of Shanghai without resistance.

Tales Pass On

Such are the stories which a visiting foreigner hears. They are doubtless exaggerated—some perhaps invented—but the fact that they circulate is significant of the fundamental difference between the Chinese character and our own.

Though China is recognised as one of the five Great Powers, with a permanent seat on the Security Council of the United Nations, it does not follow that her people are Westernised.

The chief characteristic of this vast nation of 500,000,000 is its invertebrate capacity for patiently enduring pressure of any kind without reaction.

TRUTH ABOUT THE ATLANTIC PACT

By Scrutator

If there was nevertheless a certain disappointment in Norway, it may be sufficiently explained by the crabbings camouflaged, reinforced as it was at the end by the rather tactless expressions of some speakers (and notably of Senator Connally, the Democratic leader) in the American Senate's debate.

Policy Unchanged

President Truman at his Press conference took the opportunity to deny that the debate had made any difference to American intentions, which remained, he said, as defined in his own inaugural address and in the Vandenberg resolution. Nor could any plain interpreter argue otherwise.

The speakers in the Senate did not have to reaffirm all the more roundly the right of Congress to decide, when the time came, whether the United States should declare war or not just because they knew that in the event of

an aggression by a totalitarian Power events would in effect take the decision out of its hands. Such was the case in 1917 and again in 1941; Congress's declaration of war merely recognised a state of things already existing.

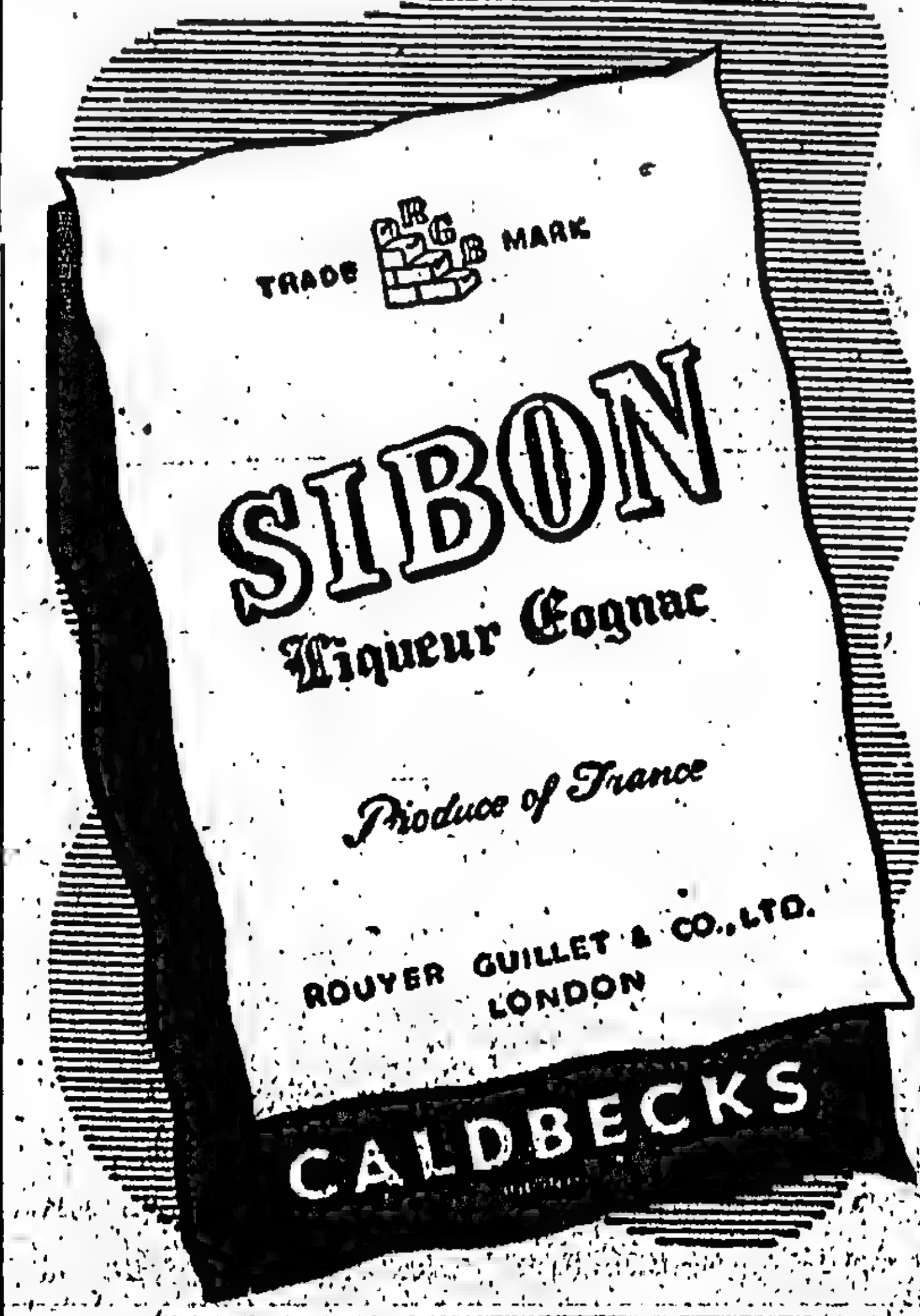
The strategic importance of Norway is primarily in relation to the sea. In the two wars against Germany we suffered much disadvantage, first from the neutrality of her 1,300-mile coast, and secondly, after April, 1940, from its use by the enemy.

Hitler told Rauschning some time before the war that when it came Germany would have to seize Norway. Russia can be relied upon to use the same logic. Hence the country's immediate danger.

For Hitler it had two uses—to weaken our blockade and to strengthen his submarine campaign. Russia would care less about the blockade; for in the event of war there would be scarcely any overseas sources from which she could hope to draw supplies.

But she is keenly interested in submarines, and, thanks to the very great technical improvements lately introduced into them, may be hoping to succeed where the Germans twice narrowly failed. For this the Norwegian coast would be indispensable to her. If it is replied that she has just offered Norway a non-aggression pact, the reply is immediate; that in 1938, she had one with the Finns, but it did not prevent her from attacking them.

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MOLOTOV RELIEVED OF POST

Kremlin Announces Cabinet Reshuffle Promotion For Vyshinsky: Trade Minister Replaced



M. MOLOTOV.

London, March 5.
Mr. Vyacheslav M. Molotov, the man many believed might replace Josef Stalin as ruler of Russia's millions, was released as Soviet Foreign Minister last night and replaced by the fiery lawyer, Mr. Andrei K. Vyshinsky, the Moscow radio said.

DIPLOMATS STUNNED BY RESHUFFLE

London, March 4.
Well-informed British quarters reserve comment on the significance of the change pending further information. They point out that Moscow Radio said only that Molotov and Mikoyan have been released from their duties as Foreign Minister and Foreign Trade Minister, respectively, and are still titled deputy chairman, or vice-premiers, of the Council of Ministers.

Hence it appears that Molotov and Mikoyan still hold posts of the highest level in the Government as a whole.

In Lake Success, high United Nations sources speculate whether the changes forecast an attempt to get together with the Western powers.

Delegates who were told the news in UN corridors were amazed and immediately wondered what it meant.

Diplomatic circles in London were stunned by the news. Diplomats wondered what immediate events precipitated the action.

Some think that perhaps the current negotiations among the Western powers for a North Atlantic Defence Pact may have some bearing on the changes.

Only on Friday, Norway politely but firmly told Russia that, despite pressure, she will not sign a non-aggression agreement with the Soviet Union and is casting her lot with the European Western powers, the United States and Canada in an Atlantic Alliance.—United Press, and Associated Press.

A brief announcement, released by the Soviet monitor in London, said only that Mr. Molotov has been released from the duties of Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Vyshinsky recently returned to Moscow after treatment for what was described as a serious illness. He had been treated in Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Molotov, Foreign Minister of the Soviet Union since 1939, was known the world over as the number two man to Stalin in the Russian hierarchy. Foreign observers who worked in Russia seemed agreed that he would eventually rise to the forefront as top man in the U.S.S.R.

Mr. Vyshinsky, the man who will take his place, gained international renown as one of the most vigorous speakers ever to take part in United Nations debates. He first won fame as a prosecutor in the pre-war Soviet purge trials.

The sudden announcement of the major shake-up in Russia's high command struck foreign diplomatic circles like a bolt. In some quarters, such as the UN, the United States itself, delegates were astounded by the news. In the noisy corridors of Lake Success foreign representatives wondered what it meant.

Diplomatic circles in London, stunned by the news, speculated as to whether the promotion of Mr. Vyshinsky may have some connection with the current move by Western nations to formulate a North Atlantic defence pact.

Mikoyan's Removal
While speculating on this, they also are trying to puzzle out the significance of a simultaneously announced switch which made Mr. A. Menshikov Minister of Foreign Trade, replacing Mr. A. I. Mikoyan. Mr. Menshikov had been Vice-Minister.

Mr. Vyshinsky has spearheaded Russia's war of words with the West in the UN. He established himself in the halls of the world organisation as a shrewd diplomat and one of the most fiery of all Eastern debaters.

These who attach some significance to the Molotov dismissal and the "North Atlantic" pact point out that only today Norway politely but firmly told Russia that, despite pressure, she would not sign a non-aggression treaty with the Soviet Union. Norway served notice that she was casting her lot with the Western European powers, the United States and Canada.

A big question is what will happen to Mr. Molotov now. No one knows, from the terse Moscow radio announcement, whether he has been given another job. All that is known is that no mention was made of Mr. Molotov's second post, that of Deputy Premier.

A Promotion
The Moscow report did not clarify whether the professorial Molotov has been retained in that position, or whether in his dismissal from the job of Foreign Minister he also was relieved from the duties of deputy Prime Minister—a step down the scale from Stalin.

There is even speculation that the sudden transfer of command may in fact mean a promotion for Mr. Molotov. Some quarters believe it possible that dismissing him from his Foreign Ministry duties may

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BANGKOK KILLING OF EX-MINISTERS

Bangkok, March 4.
Siamese police today killed three former Cabinet Ministers and one former Member of Parliament "while attempting to escape." The four men were killed while under escort after being arrested on suspicion of plotting to overthrow the Government headed by the Prime Minister, Marshal Pibul Songgram.

All four were active in the wartime anti-Japanese Resistance Movement and supporters of the fugitive Siamese politician, Pridi Panomyong.

The dead men were: Thongin Phuriphat, former Minister of Industry; Thongphiew Chola-phum, former Assistant Minister of Finance; Chamlom Doonuang, former Assistant Minister of Commerce; and Thawin Udon, former Member of the Upper House.

Thongin and Thawin were the lawyers defending the Palace attendants accused of killing King Ananda Mahidol in June, 1946.

Fighting between the Siamese Navy and the Army started in Bangkok last week-end after a mysterious broadcast announcing a new Government.

Only 48 hours earlier, Marshal Pibul Songgram had announced that his forces had totally smashed a plot to overthrow the Government. Fighting lasted a few hours.

Mystery Man
Yesterday, the Siamese Government and police refused to confirm or deny reports that killings and arrests were resulting from a round-up of alleged plotters by Marshal Pibul Songgram's forces.

A censorship was imposed on three newspapers, officially designated as left wing.

A six-man Commission was set up to settle the friction between the Army and the Navy. Pridi Panomyong, former Premier and a senior statesman, escaped from Siam when Marshal Pibul Songgram seized power.

He has been named No. 1 accused in the King Ananda assassination trial.

The Siamese police announced last December that they were conducting an international hunt for him. Since he fled from Siam, Pridi Panomyong has been variously reported to be in China, Russia and South America.—Reuter.

INDIA WANTS JAP ENGINEERS
Tokyo, March 5.
Six thousand Japanese engineers and technicians are wanted by India for terms from six months to indefinite periods to install Japanese industrial machinery in Indian factories, and to train Indian workers.

The Indian Liaison Mission in Tokyo made the request for Japanese technical men in a letter to the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce and Industry recently, which indicates that Mission members will negotiate with SCAP for the loan of wanted men.

The letter specifically named a number of engineers who had been in India before the war.—Reuter.

Truth About Atlantic Pact

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Norway, moreover, though a small nation, has one of the world's largest trading fleets.

Hence she has a direct interest of her own in keeping the Atlantic open to merchant ships, and in preventing it from being closed by submarines.

This tends to range her naturally on the side of Great Britain and America, apart from her sympathy with them as democracies and her assurance that no acts of oppression need be feared from them.

Sweden are likewise democracies and likewise well aware whence oppression is to be feared; but they have not the same nautical outlook on the Atlantic.

Norway's Importance
Finally, Norway is important for air strategy. If the Western Powers held its airfields they could cover vast areas of the North Atlantic with anti-submarine aircraft based on them.

Vice versa, if the Russians held the Norwegian airfields, their aircraft could operate far and wide against Atlantic shipping.

Use of Norway-based aircraft in the opposite direction, i.e., to attack Russia, would be handicapped by the fact that except in the remotest North their course would be blocked by the geographical interposition of neutral Sweden.

On many counts, therefore, it is very desirable that Norway should be brought into the Pact; and one may ask how best the English-speaking Powers may, in spite of the American Constitution, embolden her to enter.

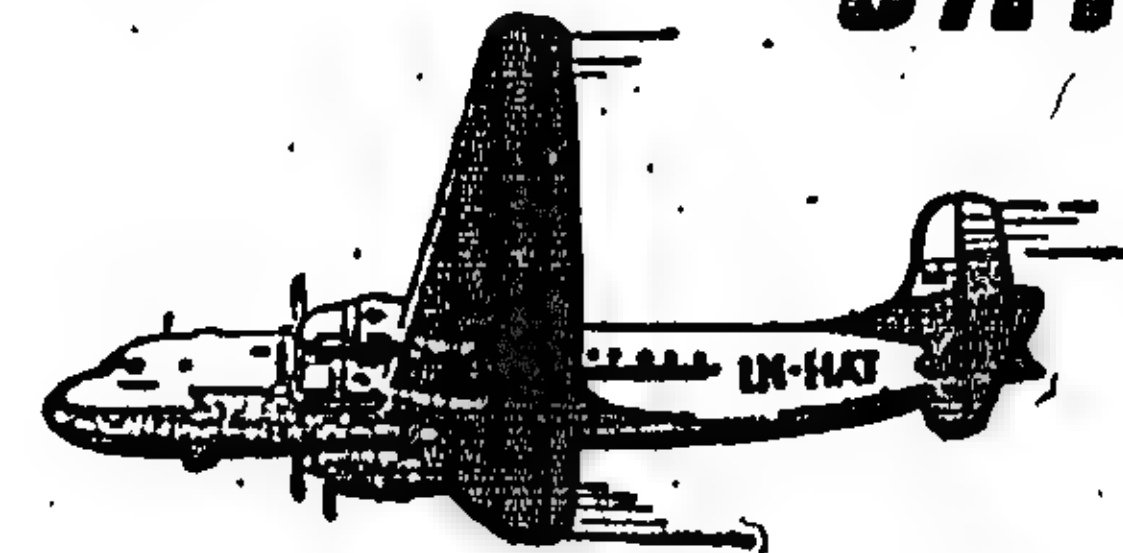
Surely the answer is not obscure: By going ahead and bringing into existence as quickly as possible the military, naval and air organisations which will concert the common defence of the North Atlantic area.

A start in this has been made by Western Union—the five Powers of the Brussels Pact. But the task of dovetailing the fighting resources of America and Canada into theirs is urgent, and ought not to wait.

Deter The Aggressor
This task is defensive. Its object is not only to deter aggression if it comes, but it is possible to deter the aggressor. What will most serve this deterrent purpose is a display of promptitude and vigour.

The Kremlin will not be led into over-confidence by the hindering clause in the American Constitution; but it might be, if it saw evidence that American and European statesmen were not really of one mind, or were incapable of acting jointly without losing speed.

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Ceremony At Palace

London, March 4.

King George, Queen Elizabeth, Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh today received deputations of Privy Counsellors from the two Houses of Parliament, who brought official congratulations on the birth of Prince Charles, three and a half months ago.

The ceremony took place in the white and gold music room at Buckingham Palace.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, led seven other Commissioners, among them Mr. Winston Churchill, The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Geoffrey Fisher, headed the five-man deputation from the House of Lords.

The Princess and the Duke returned to London early today from a three-day visit in Edinburgh, where the Princess received an Honorary Doctor's degree.—Reuter.

GIANT PLANE TO BE TESTED

London, March 4.
The first towing and taxiing tests on Britain's 125-ton giant airliner, the Bristol Brabazon, will take place next May.

Crucial Debate On Austria

London, March 4.

The big-four Deputies decided today to call in Yugoslav and Austrian spokesmen for a crucial debate on the future of Slovene-populated Carinthia in Southern Austria.

Before the big-four Deputy Foreign Ministers, who are trying to write an Austrian treaty of independence, is a Yugoslav demand for creating an autonomous or self-governing Carinthian province for South Austria's Slovenes. Russia supports the Yugoslavs.

The Western powers have said they are only ready to go as far as writing into the treaty specific minority guarantees for the Slovenes.

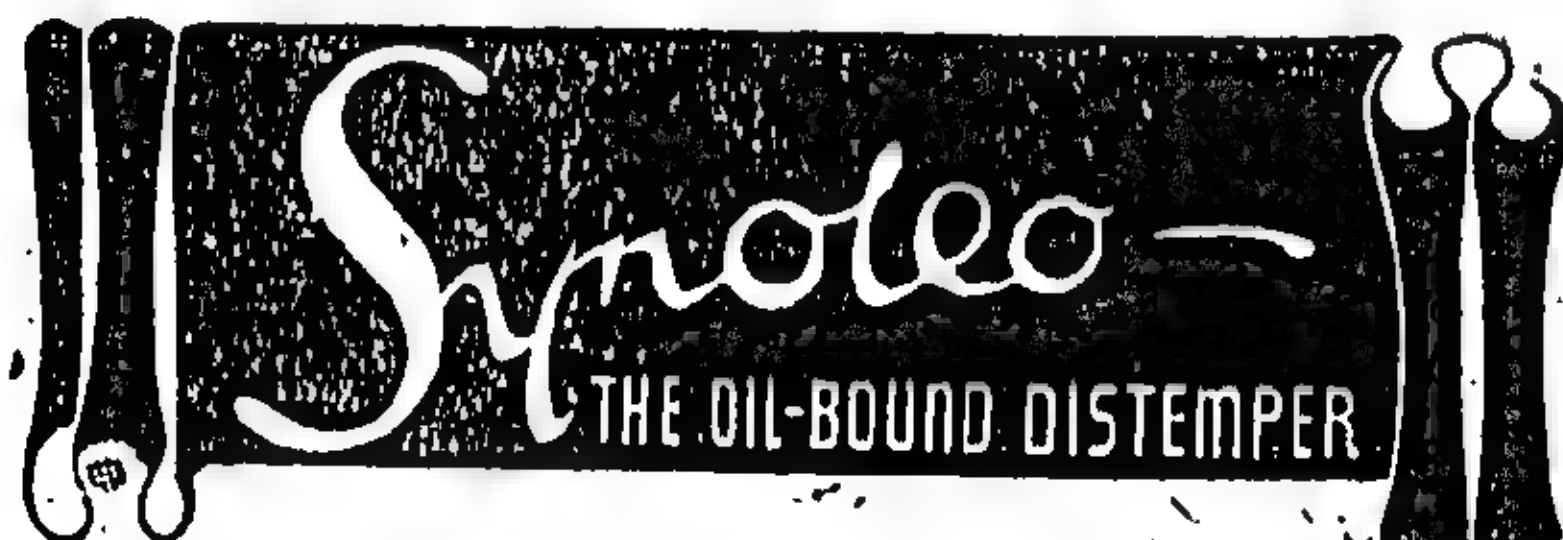
Britain and France want the Deputies first to formulate definite proposals on the future of the Slovenes, then to invite Yugoslav and Austrian views on those proposals.

Russia, with American backing, wants Yugoslav and Austrian participation at once so that they can join in discussing the proposals.

An American source believes the Russian move aims at making Yugoslavia take the blame for breakdown of the talks if the dispute remains unresolved.

The Deputies took no decision on the procedural issue today. They will meet again on Monday.

The Austrian Foreign Minister, Dr. Kord Gruber, told the Deputies in a prepared statement for the second time that his country will not accept Yugoslav claims for changes in their common frontier nor will it agree to creating an autonomous Carinthia.—Associated Press.



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UN ADMITS ISRAEL AS 59TH MEMBER STATE

Lake Success, March 4.

The Security Council today recommended Israel for membership in the United Nations by a vote of nine to one.

Egypt voted against approval of the new Jewish State as the 59th member of the United Nations, and Britain abstained from voting.

The Council action sent the Israeli application before the General Assembly, which convenes here on April 5.

Since 40 members of the United Nations already have recognised the Tel-Aviv Government, the application would be accepted.

Thus, less than a year since the Israeli Government was created, and only eight days

after it signed an armistice with Egypt ending a major phase of the Palestine war, Israel cleared its first hurdle in becoming a member of the world family of nations.

Britain's refusal to vote is not considered a veto.

Britain's Stand

Britain announced that, although she is not certain that Israel will abide by the resolutions of the United Nations, she will not veto any applicant which otherwise has obtained the necessary Council majority.

Mr. T. A. Shone (British) said the Council believes that recent declarations by Israeli leaders indicate that the Tel-Aviv Government is not in complete accord with the United Nations' principles.

He said this belief is based on Israel's refusal to evacuate Jerusalem and declare it international territory in accordance with the United Nations' recommendation, and also on Tel-Aviv's attitude toward Palestine's thousands of Arab refugees.—United Press.

DRASTIC IMPORT CONTROLS

Pretoria, March 4.

The full effect of South Africa's new import controls, announced last week in Parliament by the Finance Minister, Dr. M. C. Havenga, was disclosed today when the list of restricted goods was published in the Government Gazette.

Many items now imported from Britain are included in the list. Outstanding among them are motorcars and radios. Car sales are more than 6,000 a month, and so are wireless sets of more than 2,500. The list is comprehensive that it ranges from Christmas cards and Christmas crackers to sherry wine.

Whisky, exempted in the list of restricted imports, published last November, comes under the ban and so do cigarettes and cigars, also and soft, domestic comics and "Western" magazines.

Goods in transit through the Union today are exempted from the ban. So are personal gifts.

The restriction of imports from the sterling area is controlled by permits issued at the port of entry. The import of goods from non-sterling areas, which had been previously limited by the control of the sale of exchange, will be put on a permit system after June 30, the Minister for Economic Affairs, Mr. Eric Louw, announced.—Reuter.

Explosion In Mid-Air

Berlin, March 4.

All the crew of three of an American airlift C-54, flying from Wiesbaden to Berlin, baled out tonight North of Fulda over the American Zone.

United States Air Force headquarters at Wiesbaden said that a C-54 was reported to have exploded in mid-air about three miles North of Longensalz, just inside the Russian Zone.

The authorities at an Air Force radio station said that they had received a message from the plane saying: "We are exploding."

The pilot of the next airlift plane, who reported the accident, said he saw three parachutes dropping. The scene of the mid-air explosion was about 30 miles North of Fulda, in the American Zone.—Reuter.

Call For Help For Backward Areas

Lake Success, March 4.

The United Nations Economic and Social Council today called on the United Nations to draw up a world plan for technical help and financial assistance to under-developed areas.

The Council decided the plan should be ready for its next session in July.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Trygve Lie, today announced that he is planning to hold the first meeting to deal with the problem of the world's under-developed territories between March 17 and 20.

He said the United Nations Secretariat is working on a general outline of what is required in the light of the discussions in the Economic and Social Council. He has been in touch with the Chairmen of the International Bank, the Monetary Fund and various specialised agencies.

All have been invited to attend a first informal meeting to discuss future plans. The meeting is expected to lay the foundations of an overall administrative committee to coordinate the work of all United Nations organisations in this field.—Reuter.

HOUSE APPROVES ANALGESIA BILL

London, March 4.

The Government today refused to back a bill in the House of Commons which would have made it compulsory for all midwives in Britain to be trained within four years to administer in childbirth some form of analgesia—the giving of relief without loss of consciousness.

The bill, introduced by Mr. Peter Thorneycroft, Conservative, would also have imposed a duty on local health authorities to provide apparatus and transport to get both midwife and apparatus to the patient at home.

It would also have imposed a duty on all hospitals, public or private, to have apparatus available and ready for use.

The latest figures show that only 43,500 women who had babies in their own homes got some relief from analgesia out of a total of 350,000, he said.

There are 17,000 midwives, of whom only 10,000 had been trained to administer analgesia. Mr. Arthur Blenkinsop, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, said the administering of analgesia at home and the training of midwives is already being pushed ahead as rapidly as possible under the universal medical scheme.

The Government does not think the bill is the best administrative method of bringing about what everyone desires, he said.

Despite his stand, the bill was given a second reading, amounting to approval in principle.—Reuter.

HEAVY SNOW IN EUROPE

Paris, March 4.

Heavy snow falls and sharp cold were reported today from the French Alps and the Pyrenees, Central and Eastern France.

In the Pyrenees, the temperature dropped to four degrees Fahrenheit below zero and snow in some places was four feet deep.

Snow also covered the plain of Alsace, and blocked several mountain passes in the Vosges. Blizzards swept the Vosges Mountains. Paris had a slight fall of snow this afternoon.—Reuter.

JEWS THREATEN TO TAKE NEW ACTION

Tel-Aviv, March 4.

The Israeli Foreign Minister, Mr. Moshe Skartok, today sent an urgent request to Dr. Ralph Bunche, United Nations Mediator, to intervene to stop incidents on the Western fringe of the Arab triangle North of Tel-Aviv.

Cattle thefts and even the killing of settlers were reported during the week and were followed by a stiff warning by the Israeli Army authorities that action will be taken.

The warning was mentioned in Mr. Skartok's cable to Dr. Bunche.

The Western fringe of the Arab triangle is held by Iraqi troops, although the Trans-Jordan delegation at Rhodes claims to represent the area for armistice talks.

Meanwhile, the Israeli-Trans-Jordan armistice talks, which opened officially in Rhodes today, appear to be already on the verge of collapse.

Mr. Hovav Shiloah, head of the Israeli delegation, announced that he is flying to Tel-Aviv tomorrow for consultations.

Mr. Shiloah is so dissatisfied with the progress of the talks and feels the differences between the two sides are so great, according to an authoritative source, that he believes they should be discussed personally with his Government.

Improves, there will be no agreement here."

Israeli quarters, who are the only source of news here tonight, allege that the conduct of the Trans-Jordanians, so far, has been "impossible."

One source said that if there is no improvement in the very near future, the talks will collapse.

The main specific complaint of the Jews is that the Trans-Jordan delegation is inexperienced and has limited powers, which calls for too much reference to Amman.—Reuter.

Gallantry In Malaya

London, March 4.

A Second Lieutenant and a trooper of the Fourth Queen's Own Hussars have been decorated for gallantry in an ambush in Malaya on New Year's Eve, it was announced in the London Gazette tonight.

The officer, Second Lieutenant Jon Leopold Sutro, aged 19, of Lymington, Surrey, receives the Military Cross, while Trooper Harry Whitaker Smith, who comes from Prestwick, Manchester, is awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal.

The ambush was staged near Ipoh, Perak, in Malaya. Chinese terrorists attacked two armoured cars and a 15-hundredweight truck as they were passing through a cutting.

The troops leader, a lieutenant, a corporal and six troopers were killed by intense machine gun and mortar fire.—Reuter.

LONDON ENVOY

Caracas, March 4.

Senor Manuel Arocha has been appointed Venezuelan ambassador to Britain.

A career diplomat, Senor Arocha's last post was as Ambassador to Argentina and Uruguay.—United Press.

Quirino Call For Capital

Manila, March 5.

President Elpidio Quirino today issued a new call to American capital to invest in the Philippines.

In a speech before Notarians, the President said that every dollar invested by Americans in the country is a dollar invested against Communism and for the preservation of the Democratic way of life.

It would be discouraging to imagine that reluctance of American capital to come here after the Philippine constitution has been made to give it special accommodation is due to lack of faith in the country and people and the democratic institutions.

American helped to build here. The Philippine Government is not waiting for capital investment, but is going ahead in a programme of total economic mobilization.

Through the Central Bank a sum of 200,000,000 Pesos is being made available for industrialization of projects throughout the islands.—Associated Press.

CANDIDATES FOR KASHMIR POST

Lake Success, March 4.

General of the United Nations, told the press today that the short list of candidates for the post of Plebiscite Administrator for Kashmir now holds about six names.

Following the refusal of Mr. Walter Bedell Smith to serve as Administrator for health reasons, the Secretariat and the Kashmir Commission will now have to obtain the agreement of the Indian and Pakistan Governments to new candidates.—Reuter.

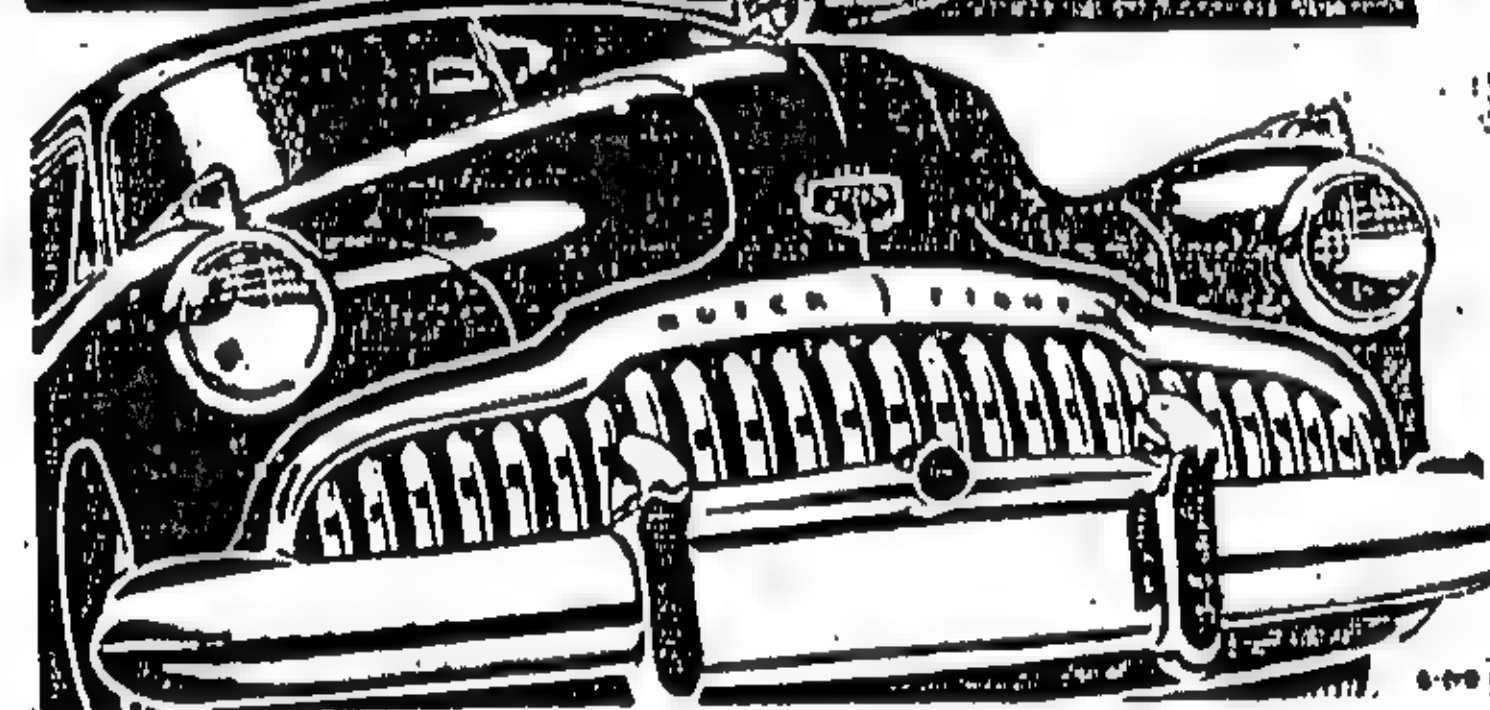
FINN COALITION

Helsinki, March 4.

Finland's Social Democrat Prime Minister, M. Karl Fagerholm, today began behind-the-scenes negotiations to give the Communists and other parties seats in a new Coalition Cabinet.

Mr. Fagerholm plans to form his Coalition within three weeks.—Reuter.

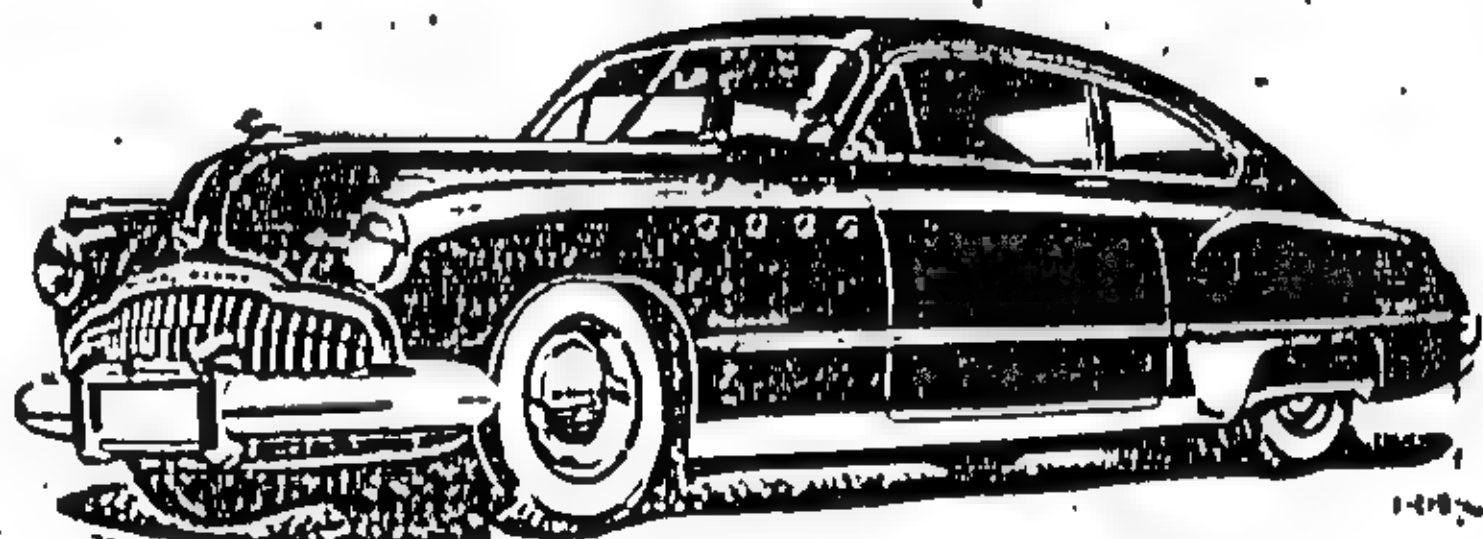
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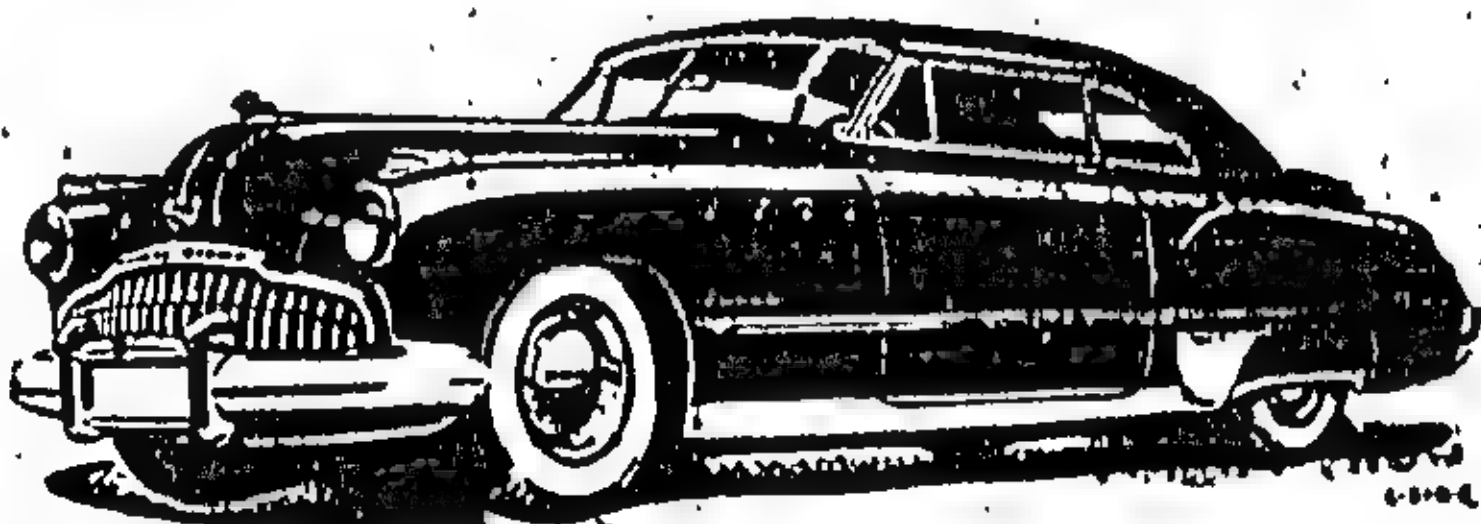
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FINGERPRINT SLEUTH

THE KILLER WHO SAW
A VISION IN BLACK

Wearily in the gutter, an old street musician, banged the stained keys of a piano on a handcart.

He played "Gonna Get a Girl"—and under the lamps of Leicester Square a very ordinary young man, listening, had an idea.

His name was Frederick Herbert Charles Field. He was 27 years old, wearing his best suit of cheap cloth, humbly tailored.

He was a bit afraid of his wife, and owed her £2, which was why he hung about Leicester Square at late evening instead of going to his modest home in Clonsham-lane, Sutton, Surrey.

The clanking tune "Gonna Get a Girl" in a thought in his undistinguished head. He snickered, walked into the shadows of Bear-street, and did not know that he was taking the first steps towards five years of living hell that were to drive him ultimately to the most desperate and wanton murder in his life-time at Scotland Yard.

Twice I saw his finger-print card filed under the select group, entitled "Suspected Murderers."

Twice I saw those accusing prints, brought out from the steel cabinets and destroyed.

An Empty Shop

Now on the night he was hanging round the West End, Field, who worked for a firm of sign writers, had in his pocket the key to an empty shop in New Compton-street.

His idea was to take a girl to this shop, job her handbag, run away while she was bewildered in the darkness.

Then he could go home and pay his wife the £2.

Down Bear-street at that moment, on high-heeled black skin shoes, in fur-trimmed coat and lace blouse, strolled Miss Nora Upchurch.

She had just come from her two-guinea-a-week room in Warwick-street, Pimlico. Two minutes longer in fixing her fashionable hat, and Nora Upchurch might have finished her stroll down Bear-street and lived to a ripe old age.

Two days later, fingerprint officers were kneeling in the bare passage-way of the shop in New Compton-street unpacking their kit from the official box, while Supt. George Cornish of the area CID studied it with professional interest.

The shop was bare, except for decorators' planks and a ladder, with splashes of paint on the wooden floor. Behind a plaster-board partition at the back of the shop, alongside a dusty metal radiator, lay Nora Upchurch.

Her cheeky little hat lay crumpled. Cloth torn from her blouse stuffed her mouth. She had been strangled by the green belt of her coat.

Fred Charlill took routine impressions of the dead girl's fingers. Then there were three men he wanted to see. One was Mr. Douglas W. Bartrum, dapper manager of the sign contractors.

The next was Mr. Herbert Field, his foreman. And lastly, Mr. Field's little son, Fred.

Each gave his fingerprints, so any of theirs found on the murder scene could be ignored.

Two Cigarette Ends

Young Fred had been the last person with the shop keys. He said he gave them to a man with gold teeth, and after two days of confusion about the keys Mr. Bartrum had decided to take his foreman and break the shop door in.

"Come with us, Fred," he had said to the foreman's son.

Each man was offered a cigarette. They talked soberly while they smoked. Young Field eventually threw down his butt

and nipped it out with his boot heel.

That was interesting. Just such an extinguished cigarette lay under Nora Upchurch's hair on the rough floor, neither crushed nor stubbed, but nipped out with a boot-heel.

Of course this was not evidence against him.

Field had been in the shop several times on duty. No print of his there could be used as evidence against him.

Confessed—But Went Free

The inquest verdict was non-committal. But some suspicion still clung to Fred Field.

Neighbors talked about him. Children pointed him out.

This went on until 21 months and three weeks from the night the keystone plank

By Chief-Inspector SYDNEY S. BIRCH, late of Scotland Yard

had played his fateful song—Fred Field walked into Marlborough-street Police Station and surrendered to Divisional Inspector Collins for the murder of Nora Upchurch.

He had lost weight. His eyes were burnt under hooded lids. He made a detailed statement confessing how he left her dead.

The handbag he took and hid among the roots of a tree in a lonely field.

"I was afraid my fingerprints might be on it," he said.

How right he was! Field's prints would almost certainly have been on the handbag.

It was vital to find it. Police took Field to the spot he had described. There was a tree, but it stood in two feet of water. A ditch had flooded.

Detectives searched and sifted for miles around—no handbag.

Therefore, no fingerprints—and no corroboration one way or another of Field's "confession."

Without this, not all the same, he could find Field guilty of the murder of Nora Upchurch. So at the end of the trial he went free.

Frederick Field, in cheap brown suit, accepted his grey cloth cap from a warder's hand and walked out into the traffic of Ludgate Hill.

His Pitiable "Lost Fling"

But it seems that Fred was sorely troubled long after the judge had stepped down from his erected dais at the Old Bailey.

Field stuck it for three years, a man with bitter music ringing in his head that nobody else could hear. Then it happened.

The cord snapped. Field absconded from the R.A.F., where he had a job as steward in the officers' mess. He took some money with him for that pitiable "lost fling" of a man dedicated to suicide.

His first purchase with the money was a bottle of poison. He spent the night in an "allotment" hut, vainly seeking courage to drink the fluid.

Next day he bought a bag of doughnuts, hung about the public library, furtively at them with the poison bottle sagging in his pocket.

He slept in a cupboard in the foyer of a block of flats in Edgeley-road, Clapham, near the most busy of Wimbledon Common, slipped the poison—then with rasped tongue and thudding heart, threw it away.

Looking For Someone To Kill

Limping back to his cupboard in Clapham, with five halfpennies in his pocket, Field reached a decision.

Since he could not kill himself, he would kill somebody else and let the law deal with him.

One of my most vivid recollections of horror during my police duties was hearing Field's quiet, tired voice say: "I then went down the Edgeley-road that night, looking for somebody to murder."

He found his victim—a well-built woman, carrying a brown Pekinese dog that gazed silently at him while he in crumpled R.A.F. uniform, persuaded her to give him shelter for the night.

She was Mr. Beatrice Villan Sutton, aged 48, living apart from her husband. She had once been a celebrated beauty, and posed for babyhood advertisement as "The Perfect Mother."

Now she lived in a furnished room, and when I was called there on April 5, 1936, I found her lying half-dressed on a bed with black satin counterpane, a black-shaded light, and wallpaper of mauve-blue.

Pillows were on her face. She had died from fright while Field was trying to strangle her.

I found his fingerprints on an ugly metal candlestick, and his marks on the brass bedrail where he must have strangled himself.

Before he could give himself up for murder, Field was arrested as an absentee, invited by Edgeley police to discuss certain rising mess funds.

Field did not want to discuss mess funds. He had deeper guilts in his thoughts. "What a horrible murder," he said.

And such a strange room—all black like a funeral parlour—black, however, black lampshade, black clothes....

Inspector Brown, interrogating, put down his fountain pen. How did this runaway airman know such details of a murder not yet published in the newspapers—a murder still being clattered out on the police teleprinters?

There could be only one answer.

Yet once again as he climbed into the Old Bailey dock, Field snatched back his confession, pleaded not guilty with loud insolence, grinned and winked at girls in the gallery.

This time it was unavailing, nor do I think he ever truly wished to be otherwise.

For when there was talk of reprieve on the grounds of insanity, Field spoke: "I am not mad—and anybody who tries to save me from the rope that way is no friend of mine."

Awaiting death, he asked for knitting wool to indulge his only hobby. "I want to knit socks for the warders, so they can have souvenirs," he said. Denied this, request for fear he might harm himself with the needles, Field shrugged. "I wonder what the beer is like down the Strand," he said. It seemed to have forgiven himself, and died more bravely than he had ever lived.

So, for the second time in the Fingerprint Department, an officer unemotionally pulled open the green metal filing cabinet drawer, extracted the paper sheet marked: "Field, Frederick Herbert Charles," and consigned it to the incinerator.

For the clock in Wandsworth was striking nine and this time Field had really paid in precious coin to have his slate wiped clean.

GIRL FINDS BERLIN
AIRLIFT EXCITING

Berlin, Saturday.

I really had not expected to be a hitchhiker. But the fog was so thick in Frankfurt, the capital of the American Zone in Western Germany, that nothing flew for nearly three days.

Commercial planes were still grounded when the Berlin blockade busters began taking off again.

The words around the Rhein-Main airport looked like a setting for "The Snow Maiden." The C-54's were zooming off into the mist like buses passing a street corner. One every four or five minutes.

Changed into overalls, I climbed up an eight-foot ladder and into my ship. Flight Engineer L. E. Eichenlaub took my hat-box and week-end bag up past the dusty piles of flour sacks to the crew compartment.

I sat on the lower bunk in what the crew call their bedroom, just behind the radio controls. It was strewn with parachutes and other gear.

"No seat belts here," said Engineer Eichenlaub. "Just hold on."

Before I knew it, we were in the air. Dense fog streamed past the porthole window. Then sunshine came pouring in. We were up 500 feet and it was quite clear.

Lieutenant G. W. Kimmons was flying on a beam. He made it seem easy. He said he was a long way from home in Akron, Ohio, and even farther from his last navy assignment—flying between Honolulu and Guam.

Transferred From Pacific

He and his co-pilot, Ensign W. A. Nomer, and his engineer had come over together in a transport Pacific squadron. They were the first navy crew to cross the Atlantic to join the airlift.

They had one night out in Paris, but mostly for two months they had been contending with Germany's cold and fog. Their squadron had 12 planes and had set a record of 40 flights to Berlin in 24 hours.

I asked if we were sure of being able to land at Tempelhof field in Berlin, because weather reports from there hadn't been too reassuring and we would arrive after dark. The young pilot grinned.

"They tell us that if the ceiling is less than 500 feet, the landing is done at a pilot's own discretion," he said. "My own limit is 400 feet. As far as I'm concerned, there are always three VIPs aboard—me, my co-pilot and my engineer. We're all very important persons. If it's less than 400, we'll go over to Farnburg in the British Zone. That flour back there is worth only a minimum risk."

Over Fuld, I was given a chance to broadcast our identification and position signal to a ground station.

"It makes a nice change to hear a woman's voice on our communications system," Lieutenant Kimmons said.

Berlin Was Dark

The sun had set before we neared Berlin after 100 minutes in the air. Any other city might have danced with lights. But most of Berlin was dark. Airlift coal is

By ALMA DeLUCE

precious here and electricity is skimpy.

Tempelhof's GCA—ground control for approach—started directing us, vocally. We circled according to instructions. A steady stream of precise information came over the radio—altitude, speed, time, headings, and rate of descent.

Landing in misty darkness, even by GCA, impressed me as akin to driving blindfolded a heavy truck at top speed down a sheer mountain grade.

We rushed downward at two strings of white, yellow, and red lights, marking the Tempelhof runway. I was standing up clinging tightly to a metal railing, and it was more exciting than a roller-coaster dip.

Once GCA made a correction in our descent: "Level off! You're 60 feet too low."

The pilot pulled the nose up for just a moment. GCA okayed it. Then we plunged downward again.

He touched the runway without the slightest perceptible jar. The co-pilot strained at the brakes to shorten our run. We curved off to a side strip in the wake of a yellow jeep marked "Follow me."

The engineer pushed open the rear door. An army truck swarming with German workmen plus a couple of military police backed up in a dizzying rain.

Another load of flour from Operation Vittles was through the Russian blockade. Associated Press.

Back They Came From The Golden West

The story of an ordinary English family who preferred Essex to California is told here by

JOHN HALL

A dream that is cherished by millions of Americans, and plenty of British people too, came true for doctor Mr. Don Cooper, from Dagenham, Essex.

He went to live in California—the "land of oranges and sunshine and good living."

He took his family (Mrs. Cooper, May, who is 26, Bill, who is 23 and a friend of the family, 30-year-old Joe Buckingham); they had a home waiting for them at Bellflower, ten miles from Los Angeles, and Don quickly got a job—as a doctor.

All that was just about a year ago. Today the Coopers are back in Oval-road North Dagenham, and Mr. Cooper is back at work on the London docks.

"I was earning between £3 and £7 a week when we left here in February 1948," says Mr. Cooper, "and out there I averaged about £22 a week. But, by my standards, I'm better off in Dagenham, California, is a wonderful place if you have plenty of money—and I mean plenty. We didn't enough."

The family from England had everything in its favour. Daughter Grace married a GI, and it was Grace who persuaded them to emigrate. Grace's husband, Tommy, has a butcher's business at Long Beach and lives at Bellflower. When the Coopers said they would go he built a bungalow alongside his own home; Grace and he had it all ready for the Coopers to move in when they arrived.

He Was Lucky

First discovery by the family was that while they had been told a lot about the glories of California they had not been told

that there is a fair amount of unemployment there.

Mr. Cooper himself was lucky. He's a friendly sort of chap with plenty of humour. The Pacific Coast doctors gave him a temporary union card. He had to get up at 5 a.m. to get to the nearest hiring hall—where dockers are hired for work at Los Angeles and San Pedro—but soon got into the run of things. He had to be at work at the docks at 8 a.m., carried through to 3 p.m. at 75. 6d. an hour, with time and a half for work after 3 p.m.

He was given a travel allowance and a laundry allowance for his dock clothes.

This is what he says about the British and the American dockworker: "The American dockworker has to work hard, but no harder than they do here at Tilbury. But the Yanks do get through more work because they have more machinery, mechanical loaders, and gadgets like that. But I wouldn't go for more machinery on the docks here, because it would put men out of jobs."

Debit Side

After three months the Cooper family held a conference. Mrs. Cooper, in the chair, pointed out that, in spite of high wages and low income tax, food and other living costs were so high that at the end of each week the family were worse off financially than if would have been in Dagenham.

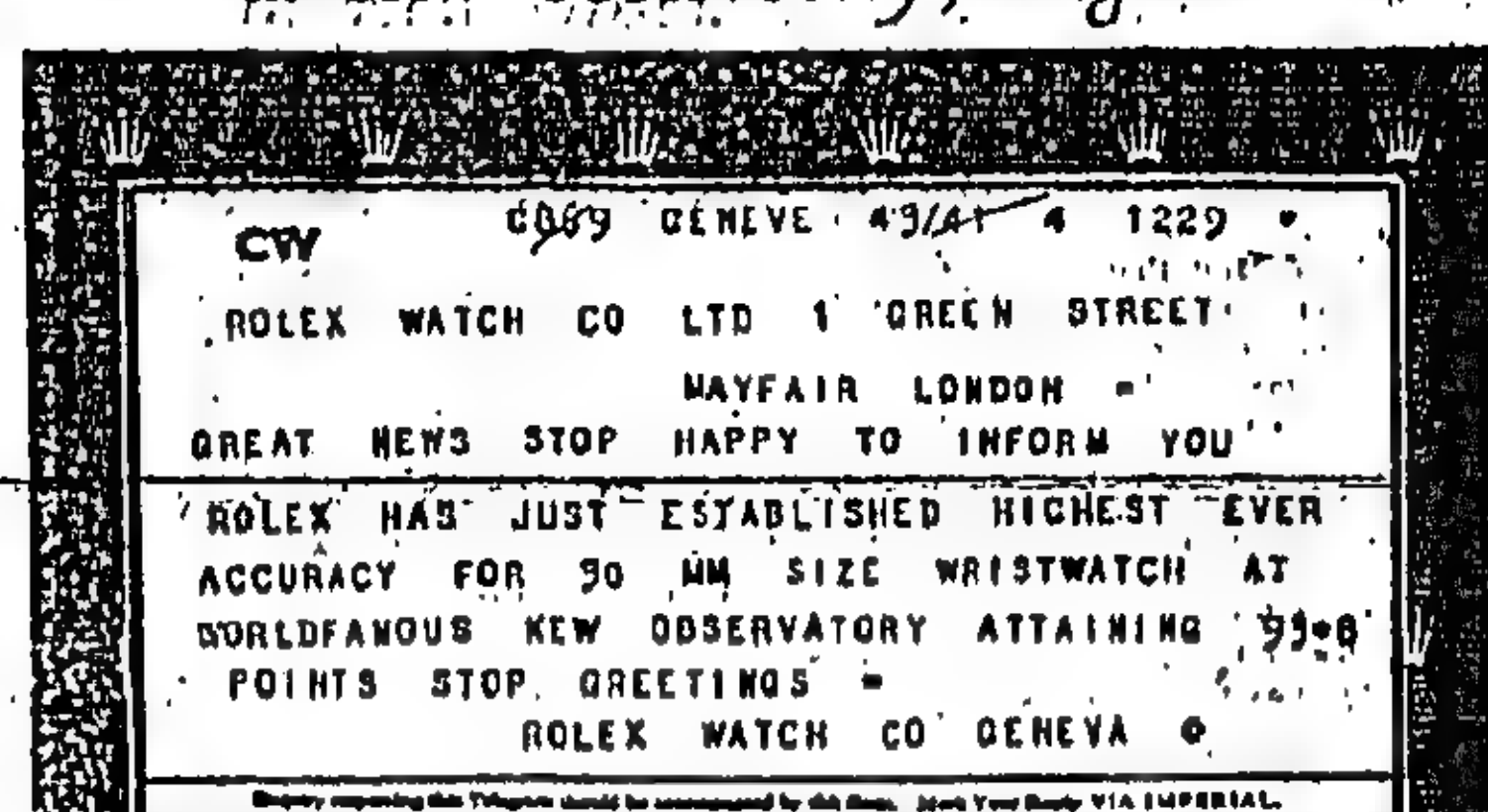
Mr. Cooper liked the climate, though it was a bit on the hot side, and getting hotter every day, but he hated the short twilights and yearned for the long summer evenings in England.

He was tired of the purchased-brown California countryside, and longed to stroll along an Essex lane and smell the smoke of a farmhouse chimney.

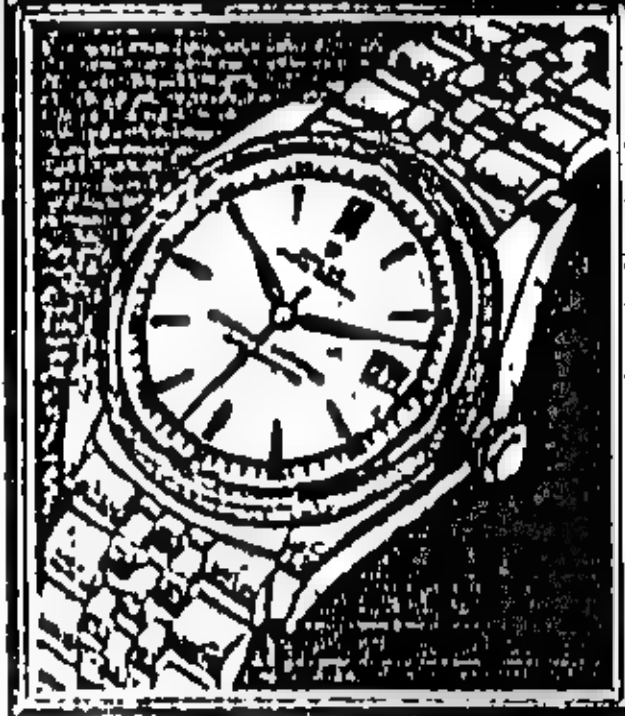
Says Mr. Cooper: "Though I'm not really a drinker, I missed the atmosphere of an English 'local' American bars aren't matey places."

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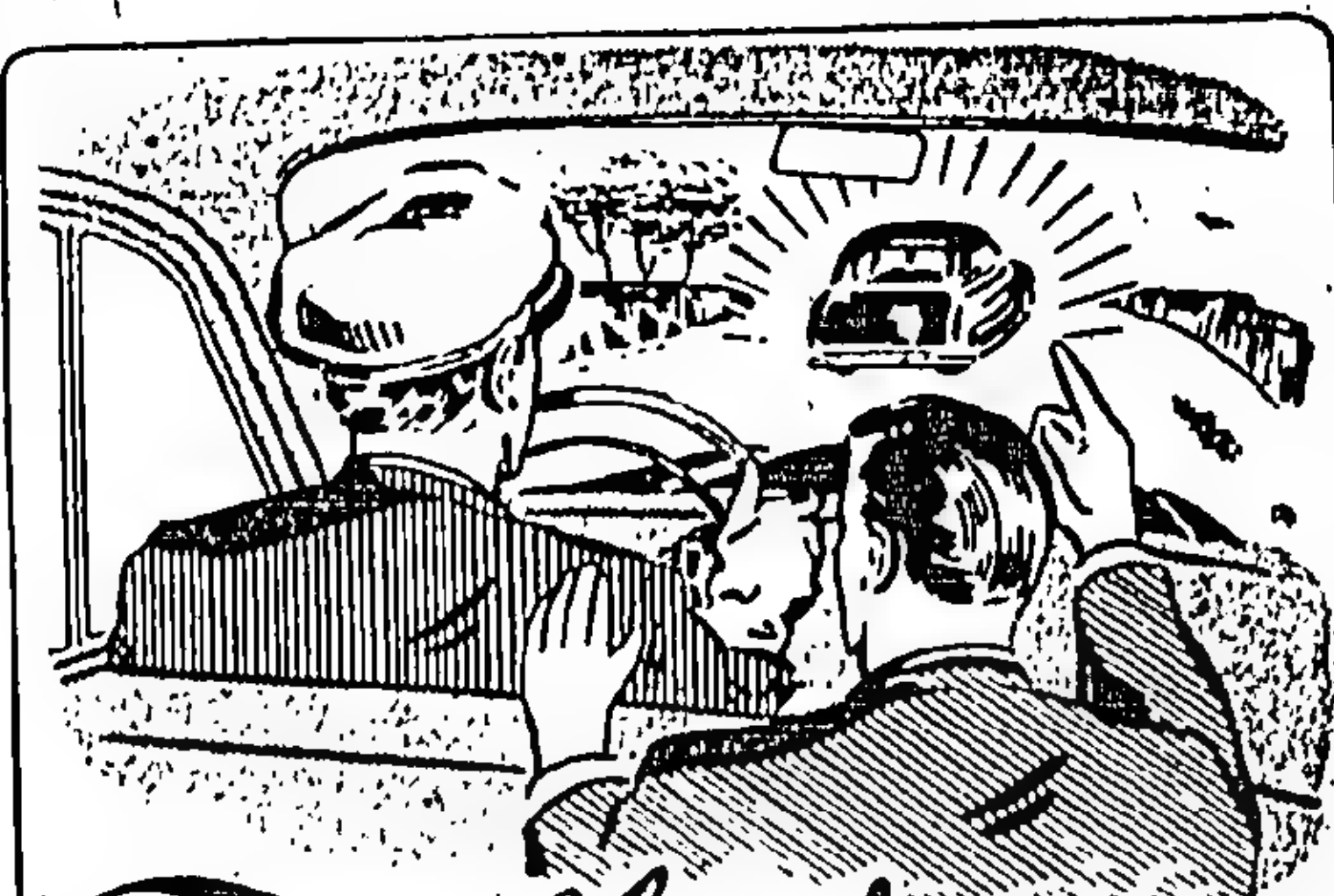
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SANCTIONS PLAN AGAINST DUTCH PROPOSED BY MP

London, March 4.

The left wing review, "New Statesman and Nation," published today what is described editorially as a remarkable cable despatched from Indonesia by Mr. Woodrow Wyatt, Labour Member of Parliament.

Mr. Wyatt, who had interviews with the Dutch authorities and the Indonesian leaders detained in Banka, suggests in his article that sanctions be applied on Holland if the new Dutch proposals in Indonesia turn out to be bogus.

He declared: "The Dutch would be too frightened with the whole world sitting on their heads, to walk out of the Western Union or to do anything but comply. If the Dutch are dogged, the rest of the world must be more dogged. For the sake of British prestige in Asia, I hope it will be the British that propose such drastic action."

Mr. Wyatt declared that it is impossible not to believe that the Dutch are genuine in their wish to hand over—but are insisting in their own oblique way, in trying to hand over the Indonesian, that they would like to see and not the one that the Indonesians want.

Unless there is a change of heart, Mr. Wyatt added, there can only be one conclusion—that the new proposals are designed to bypass the Security Council.

Simple Problem

If this is so, there is only further deadlock and bitterness ahead.

The article continued: "Yet the problem is simple. Dr. Mohammed Hatta, the Prime Minister, Dr. I. K. Sukarno, the President, Dr. Soeharto, the Foreign Minister, despite the second 'police action' of December and its accompanying and continuing brutality, are still ready to give the Dutch what they need."

"The Dutch standard of living depends on Indonesian trade. If they give the Indonesians complete independence, with no hanging, they can retain that trade. If not, they will lose it forever."

"Cowardice, which the Dutch call doggedness, holds them back from the risk of making the one gesture which can ensure Dutch security. If the Dutch delay much longer, even the final gesture of self-abnegation will lose its efficacy."—Reuter.

MEDIATION OFFER REJECTED

New Delhi, March 4.

Burma has rejected India's offer of mediation between the Burmese Government and the Karen rebels.

Burma's Attorney-General, U. Chuan Tun, notified the Indian Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, that Burma is entirely capable of settling its own internal affairs without outside aid.

The reply came after the meeting on Monday of representatives of Britain, Australia, India, New Zealand and Ceylon to discuss the Burmese difficulties and their latent threat to Asian Pacific peace.

Mr. Nehru was reported to have sent an informal letter to the Burmese Premier, Thakid Nu, in which he offered the mediation services of the five nations.

Concern over the Burmese Karen state and the growth of Communism in Burma has been repeatedly expressed recently both by Mr. Nehru and Australia's Minister of External Affairs, Dr. Herbert Evatt.

United Press.

SHIP BLOWS UP

Durban, March 4.

Laden with petroleum products, the British steamer Chamarel blew up and sank while in port at Reunion Island in the Indian Ocean today after a fire. All the crew are safe.

The vessel, which was carrying 30,000 cases of petroleum products, was discharging at her first port of call when she caught fire. She operated a regular service between Durban, Madagascar, Reunion and Mauritius.—Reuter.

FIREMEN KILLED

Charleston, West Virginia, March 4.

Four firemen were trapped and believed killed in a \$500,000 fire which broke out in a Woolworth's store here.

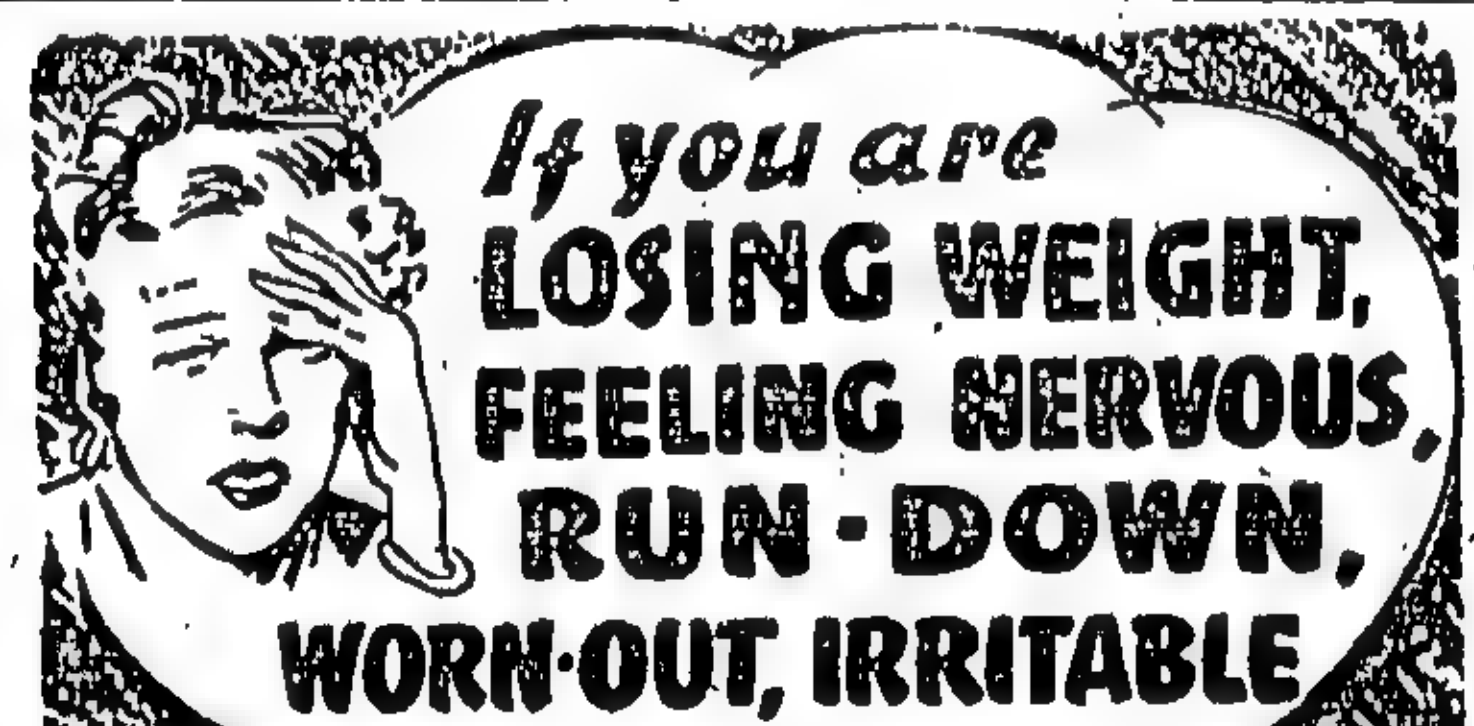
Another fireman can not be accounted for, and eight are in hospital with burns and injuries.—Reuter.

DEATH OF RADIO PIONEER

Hollywood, March 4.

A. Atwater Kent, former radio manufacturer, died here today.

Mr. Kent, who was 76, pioneered in the motorcar and radio fields, then retired, a wealthy man, to devote his time to his philanthropies and hobbies.—United Press.



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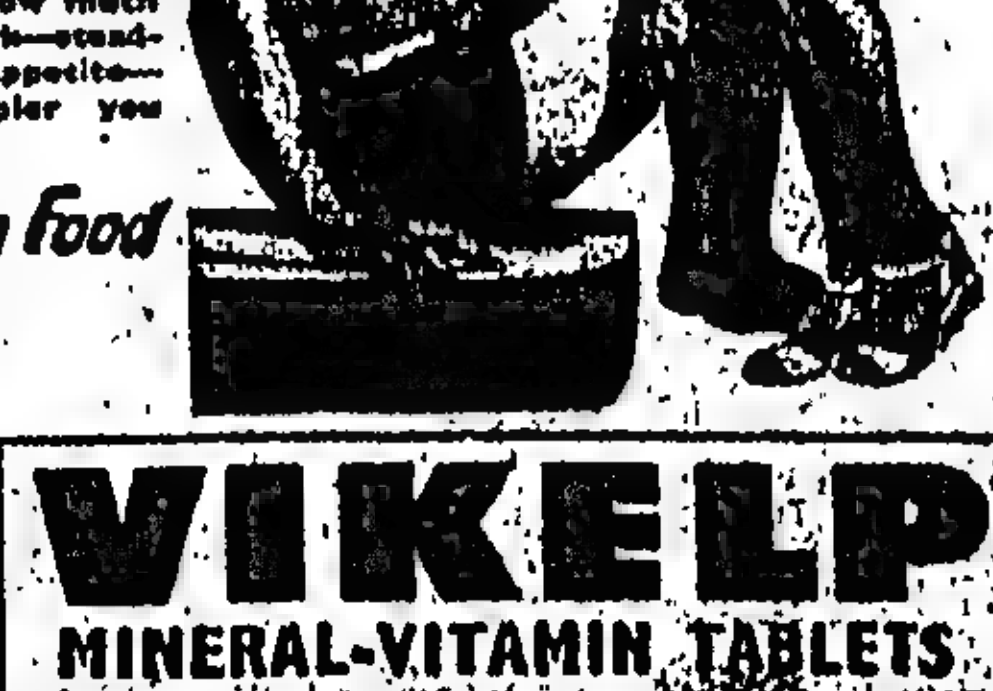
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British Envoy Sees The End

Washington, March 4.

Sir Oliver Franks, the British Ambassador, said today that he can see the end of the North Atlantic Pact negotiations coming along.

After a meeting, tonight with Mr. Dean Acheson, the U.S. Secretary of State, and the North Atlantic Ambassadors, Sir Oliver stated that that talks had been satisfactory and there will be a further meeting next Monday.—Reuter.

Intoxicated Judge Shot By Sentry

Seoul, March 5.

A Korean Army sentry on Thursday night shot the Chief Justice of the District Court of Seoul, a Korean Government spokesman announced yesterday.

Chief Justice Yang Won-yil, while walking by the National Defence building in an intoxicated condition, was ordered by the sentry to halt and identify himself.

It is still not clear what happened before the sentry fired, the announcement said.

Chief Justice Yang was taken to hospital, but died early yesterday morning.

An investigation is now being conducted to determine the complete facts of the case, the spokesman said.—Reuter.

Paris, March 4.
M. Edouard Herriot, 76-year-old President of the French National Assembly, is in bed with a feverish cold.—Reuter.

Norway Learned Lesson In 1940

New York, March 4.

The Norwegian Ambassador, Mr. William Morgenstjerne, said today that Norway learned its lesson in 1940 and today does not believe that neutrality has any relation to the facts of life.

Mr. Morgenstjerne pledged that Norwegian territory will never be used as a base for aggression against anybody. Only a potential aggressor has anything to fear from the utterly defensive alliance to be called the Atlantic Pact, he said.

Norway soon came to realize in its quest for reconstruction and preparedness that alone it could not solve its security problem, he said.

"Norway learned her lesson in 1940 and today does not believe neutrality has any relation to the facts of life."

He described the friendship among the Scandinavian countries as being as cordial as ever.

"Apart from our inability to agree on defence problems, our three countries want to continue the closest possible co-operation in all other fields."

The Ambassador denied that his country had decided to join the Atlantic Pact discussions because of pressure from the United States.

WASHINGTON TALKS ON NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Washington, March 4.

The Ambassadors of the North Atlantic powers met the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, today to discuss what countries should be invited to the pact negotiations.

They had before them a request from Italy for an invitation, similar to the request made by the Norwegian Ambassador yesterday.

The Norwegian Ambassador, whose Government formally accepted the invitation to join the discussions, did not attend the early part of today's meeting. The Norwegian Ambassador joined Mr. Acheson and the other Ambassadors an hour and a half after their meeting began. He was formally welcomed to the conference.

The pact negotiators may not reach a final decision today on whether to invite Italy to join them, as it may be necessary for Mr. Acheson to consult members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on this question.

There have been reports that leading members of that Committee have expressed opposition to Italy joining the pact which, under the present arrangements, will be backed by a Congressional appropriation of large sums to provide arms and military supplies to its members.

Italy wishes to become a founder member of the alliance. She is anxious to join the preliminary negotiations now, on the same terms as Norway, and not merely to be invited to adhere to it after the pact has been negotiated, completed and signed by the other powers.

Strategic Area

Italy's supporters say:

1. The future of Italy is closely linked economically, strategically and geographically with the future of France, particularly and the North Atlantic powers generally.

2. Italian defence is vital to France's security just as the de-

ference of the Western European powers is vital to the security of the United States.

3. Italian defence is particularly important strategically for the defence of France's North African territories—and an un-defended Italy would leave an exposed flank in France's security system in the Mediterranean.

4. The exclusion of Italy would be a blow to the prestige of the Italian Government and would give the impression that the Atlantic powers regard Italy as not being on quite the same status as themselves.

Needs Arms

5.—The Italian Government needs a substantial share of the arms to be supplied under the pact to protect Italy from aggression from within from Soviet-inspired subversive Communist activities.

Those opposed to the inclusion of Italy in the alliance and military supplies available for distribution among the members of the alliance is limited. Italy's inclusion would reduce the amount available to the other countries.

2.—Geographically, Italy is a Mediterranean and not a North Atlantic power. To admit Italy to the pact would be to turn it into a sort of Marshall Plan Defence association.

3.—If Italy is admitted, why not Greece and Turkey? A Mediterranean defence pact might provide a better means of solving the security problems of Italy, Greece and Turkey.

It is also pointed out that President Truman and Mr. Acheson have repeatedly made it clear that arms can be supplied to countries other than members of the alliance if their security is regarded as vital to the United States.

It will not be essential for Italy to be a member of the alliance to receive arms.

Denmark today decided to send her Foreign Minister, Dr. Gustav Rasmussen, to the United States for final talks about joining the North Atlantic Pact—a few hours after her Scandinavian neighbour, Norway, officially announced her decision to join.

The decision to send Dr. Rasmussen to Washington followed a three-day meeting of the Danish Foreign Affairs Committee.

Dr. Rasmussen is expected to visit London on his way to Washington. It is certain that he will have talks with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin.

London diplomatic observers are almost certain that Denmark will follow Norway's decision to take part in the Pact discussions.

Dr. Halvard Lange, Norway's Foreign Minister, said a similar Norway decision to join in the negotiations for the pact.

Copenhagen reports said Dr. Rasmussen is expected to leave the Danish capital on Tuesday.

Dr. Lange told his Parliament today that a note had been sent to Moscow rejecting Russia's offer of a non-aggression pact. "At the same time the United States has been informed that we will now gladly accept an invitation to the preparatory discussions on an Atlantic pact."—Reuter.

Severe Quake In Punjab

Lahore, March 4.

Despite the severity of today's earthquake in Lahore, a first inspection showed little major damage with the exception of the Catholic Cathedral, and services are functioning normally in the city tonight.

The main hospitals in the city all reported no earthquake casualties tonight, although a number of houses in the old walled city collapsed during the tremors.

The population ran out into the streets and open spaces as soon as the tremors began.

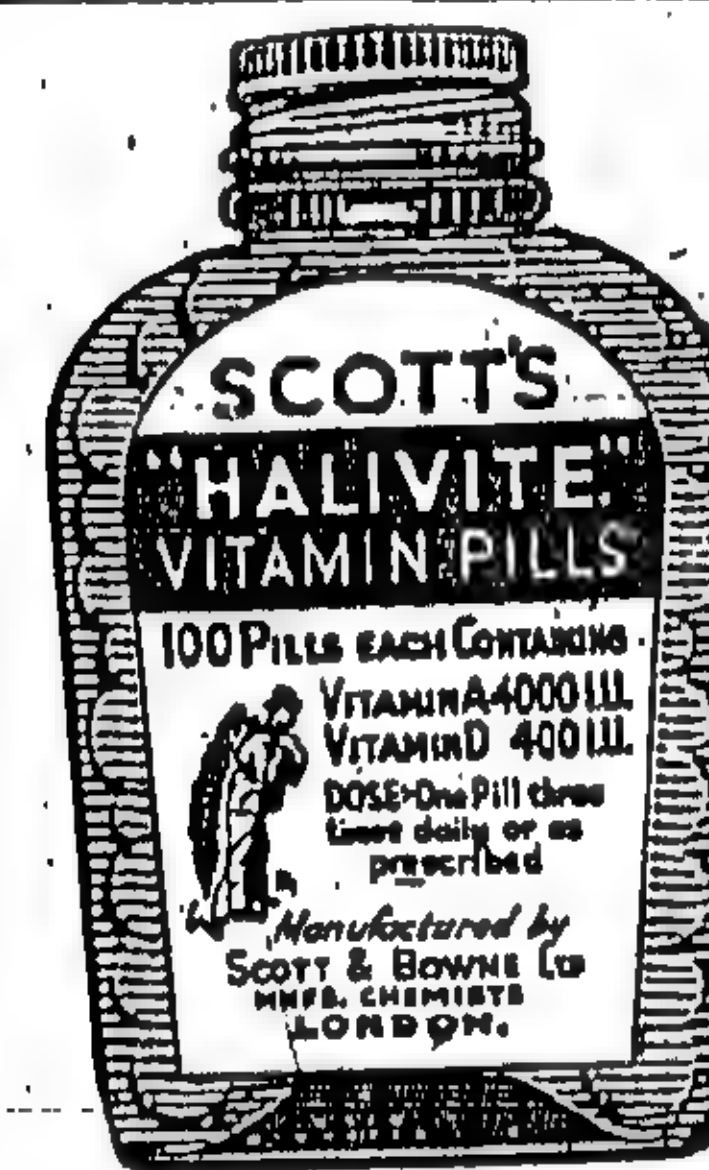
They lasted only a few seconds each, following one another swiftly, gradually growing more and more severe.

The shocks were widespread and reports of earthquakes have been received from outlying stations of the West Punjab and from hundreds of miles away in the North West Frontier Province.

No loss of life has been reported.

In New York, Fordham University's seismograph early today recorded an earthquake of very severe intensity. The Rev. Joseph Lynch, the University's seismographer, fixed the time of the first shock at 10.30 a.m. GMT.

The Boston College seismograph at Weston, Massachusetts, reported a strong earthquake at 10.32 a.m. GMT. The College seismographer said it was probably the same quake as that felt at Lahore.—Reuter.



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SUNDAY HERALD MAGAZINE SECTION

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Our Roving Reporter Writes About

THE CRAZIEST TRIAL EVER

"I am the best friend of the judge."
"But, monsieur, my old mother is inside and she has not eaten since breakfast."

"Monsieur Kravchenko himself said I could come . . ."

An impressive barrage of pretexts, is hurled at the barrier guards by the savage crush of public and law students trying to penetrate the courtroom in Paris for the Kravchenko trial.

But the gendarmes are firm and those who fall wander off down the long dusty stone corridors of the Palais de Justice and drop in curiously on one of the other trials which are going on at the same time in the other dozens of court-rooms.

But the official Press card allows one through the swing door and into a densely crowded room.

The court-room is about the size of an elementary school room. One wall is almost entirely windowed. The bare branches of the plane trees which grow beside the Seine wave to each other across the grubby panes and the first spring sunshine penetrates the room during the afternoon with such an amber brilliance that it gives quite a gay, theatrical look to an otherwise depressing crowd of people.

There is a judge called Monsieur Durkheim, who has a high domed forehead, a moustache, and a patient, cynical air. He is sardined on a high dais between some nondescript lawyers in black robes and white cravats. There are rows of pews—"L"-ing-out on his right and left, packed tightly with Press and interested parties.

Below his desk sit the frowsy women recorders banging at little silent machines like typewriters (one has a little fur cover on it—I suppose to keep it warm).

Almost knee to knee with these women sit the defendants and the accused and their robed lawyers in high-backed pews, and breathing down their necks are the first rows of the public.

From the painted ceiling a bored goddess in black lace décolletée bends over, holding between finger and thumb a pair of scales, rather as if she was aiming for the waste-paper basket.

And somewhere between the dense jungle of people and the waste-paper basket a lawyer and a witness and an interpreter struggle to keep upright.

And in order to defend herself Russia is allowing various witness for the defence to come to Paris.

Like 'Wonderland'

The trouble is that, this being a French court of law, the proceedings have the same qualities of nonsense as

of resounding wood and shouts at everyone.

Eventually everyone runs out of breath, a great deal of the Seine has passed under the Pont Neuf, and the only evidence which has emerged is that the roof must have been securely fixed on, since it didn't fly off.

Plotless Serial

Mr. Zilliacus, member for Gateshead, brought a sudden professional air into the court-room when on Wednesday, as witness for the defence, he gave a dress rehearsal of his Thursday's lecture billed all over Paris as "Kravchenko against France."

This so far rather plotless serial story will no doubt gather speed and some interest when witnesses from Russia give evidence this week. Specially when Kravchenko's first wife turns up.

Meanwhile, the nicest thing about the trial is a manifestation of the extremely illogical side of the French national character. There is a French law which forbids the reporting of libel cases (presumably so as to avoid any public dissemination of the libel)—yet for the Kravchenko trial they have not only issued official Press cards but have also installed 20 extra telephone lines to make the dissemination of the libel as easy as possible.

By Jenny Nicholson

Kravchenko is the only character one would ever recognise again. He looks like a handsome motor-car salesman with crinkly black hair, pale, high cheek-boned face, and a shop-window model figure.

Most people have by now grasped the basic plot of the trial.

Kravchenko, a Stateless ex-Ukrainian, wrote a best-selling book about his voluntary break with Russia (by leaving the Soviet Purchasing Commission in Washington during the war), and called it "I Chose Freedom."

A French Communist paper called *Lettres Françaises* published two articles saying that Kravchenko was an inveterate liar, a drunkard, and an illiterate and couldn't possibly have written the book. Kravchenko, not unnaturally, is seeking to prove in a French court of law that he did write the book and that he is a truthful, sober intellectual.

And it would be no more than a straightforward, libel action if it weren't that one of the points being argued about is whether or not he told the truth in the book about one of the most important political factors in the world—whether or not Communism is working successfully in Russia.

So this smoky little court-room has become indirectly the scene of the trial and defence of Russian Communism.

the trial scene in "Alice in Wonderland." Any slight brushes with justice as we know it in England are purely whimsical.

The proceedings either groan along at the pace of a funeral, with witnesses giving long-winded irrelevant speeches so that everyone nods off; or there is some lively witness perhaps; or the gentleman, tired of holding his finger to his pursed lips to keep newcomers quiet, suddenly loses his temper and shouts, "Will all the world immediately disembarrass the doorway?"

And suddenly all is noise and confusion. The doorway-embarrassers shout back, the court usher shouts "Silence," the witness shouts at the lawyers, the lawyer shouts at the judge, and Kravchenko beats the nearest patch

QUICK LOOKS

Russian Child and Russian Wife, by Tanya Matthews.

Tired though you may be of harrowing peeps behind the Iron Curtain, you will enjoy this candid, straightforward, unsensational story of what it was like to grow up in Russia between 1919 and 1944; to be educated and married and employed there, and at last, with one's second husband, an English correspondent, to obtain reluctant permission to leave the Soviet Motherland.

Tanya Matthews does not attempt to make her readers' flesh creep: but you will understand the feelings of immense relief with which she saw the Curtain lifting. . . .

Martin Tupper, by Derek Hudson. A rich slice of Victorian social history. Martin Tupper was one of the

most execrable scribblers who ever thought himself a great poet, and one of the most assiduous royal snobs who failed to get a knighthood. Yet in his day his vogue was enormous. His homespun moralisings delighted the Queen, pleased the Prince Consort, and interested Mr. Gladstone. He was a representative, if not an attractive, figure. Derek Hudson follows his ascent and decline without a great deal of humour, but with diligence and sympathy.

Ape and Essence, by Aldous Huxley. A cautionary tale from Hollywood, all about the triumph of the Powers of Evil, in 200 years' time, after the conclusion of another world war. Pittable stuff to come from a once brilliant novelist.



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Talking about Films

Gold-Diggers, But No Women

FRED MAJDALANY at the Films

When the Hollywood chieftains wish you to be in no doubt whatever that you are seeing an extra special epic, they nearly always make the mistake of letting everything go on too long. The good but overrated "Best Years of Our Lives" was a case in point. The Treasure of Sierra Madre (Warner) is another.

This is an all-male adventure story about three prospectors (a veteran and two greenhorns) who spend a year in the Mexican mountains, digging for gold. After surviving many dangers and much discomfort ironically lose their hard-won treasure just as they are getting it back to civilization.

Besides the usual hurly-burly of the wide open spaces the film has irony and it has a theme—namely, the corrupting effect the quest for gold can have on otherwise reasonable men.

Unfortunately, the example chosen to demonstrate this is a man so unpleasantly corrupted anyway that nothing is really proved.

It is obvious from the start that this man (played by Humphrey Bogart) would be a pest if you took him to a city-based cow to prospect for milk. It is no surprise (and certainly not gold's fault) that he wrecks the expedition by his meanness, suspicion, and aggressive weakness when conditions are really hard. So the theme rather goes up the spout and we are left with a prolonged study of the three men, some occasional tensions, and some exciting Mexican settings and minor characters.

Besides Mr. Bogart, who is like an angry old piece of shoe leather with hurt eyes, there is the more agreeable young man (Tim Holt) who has to put up with him and who couldn't be nicer about gold.

And there is the old-timer (Walter Huston) who knows the ropes, holds the group together, and is, frankly, a bit of a bore about gold.

He is a veritable siphon of chuckle-some whimsicality and oatmeal philosophy. ("Gold? Hee-hee. Gold'll do things to a man, yes sir, hee-hee, mah-hy aha-a-ange things, yes sirree, hee-hee. Ah've seen a ma-a-on, hee-hee, ornery guy like you'n me, hee-hee, yes sirree...")

Mr. Huston tirelessly uses all the tricks and mannerisms which go to the making of the screen old gaffer, and the result is a piece of that likeable ham that is sometimes confused with great acting.

I am increasingly astonished at the ease with which pretty women are captivated by fugitive murderers who break into their bedrooms, grab them by the throat, and grunt: "One squeak, baby, and I'll do you in."

Though I happen never to have been a murderer on the run, and therefore cannot speak from first-hand experience, it seems to me that films are apt to exaggerate the lengths of hospitality to which a nice woman will go.

The latest assassin to have this social success is Burt Lancaster in

Blood on My Hands (Gaumont and Marble Arch Pavillion)—in which he once again gives his muscle-bound impression of a touchy thug with everyone's-against-me eyes.

The drab and standard proceedings are relieved only by the fresh presence of Joan Fontaine and a delicious cloth cap unasily worn by Mr. Lancaster to heighten the supposedly English atmosphere and background. This relief, I should emphasize, is strictly inadequate.

There is an original and funny idea in Unfaithfully Yours (New Gallery and Tivoli), a comedy that has been wittily written and directed by Preston Sturges, and one you should see.

Shortly before a concert in New York an eccentric and temperamental English conductor develops a suspicion that his wife has been a bad girl during his absence.

Each of the three pieces he conducts at the concert inspires in his mind a plan, which we see in a flashback (or flash-forward, in this case).

During Roseini he works out a perfect murder Wagner lulls him, and a scene of forgiveness is seen through his mind's eye: Tschalkovsky stirs him again to vengeance, and a highly melodramatic duel.

After the concert he rushes home and blunders into a riotous confusion of the three plans, with everything going wrong.

To give more details would spoil your fun. The conductor is a baronet called Carter—and the link between pills, titles, and batons is, of course, entirely a coincidence.

Rex Harrison plays him with rasping and satisfying spirit.

Two hours of dogged loving carried out by Ingrid Bergman and Charles Boyer ought not to be wholly without interest, but they are in Arch of Triumph (Empire), a dim and lifeless story of two refugees whose romance in pre-war Paris is confused by the main lack of passport, the woman's lack of understanding, the dialogue's lack of interest, and Herr Charles Laughton, representing the Gestapo.

Britain Shows Her Newest Toys

Britain has opened its first toy fair and visitors to Bingley Hall, Birmingham, have been able for the first time to have a comprehensive view of what this vigorous fast growing industry has to offer the world.

The thousands of different exhibits cater for every age of childhood—ranging from bright plastic teething rings and "play cups" novel form of building bricks to elaborate chemical set and a miniature three octave grand piano that can really be played.

One particularly striking feature of this Fair is the large number of new developments. There are hens which lay eggs while they are gobbling corn. Latex balloons that can be blown into any shape. Fire engines with telescopic ladders, aluminium wringers, tiny but workable washing machines, cement mixers and diesel rollers, long alligators worked by remote control, prefabricated bungalows made of cast aluminium and small banjos that can also be played. There is an electric vacuum cleaner (it works from a torch battery) complete with suction fan and detachable bag.

Toys which will delight three or four year olds is the owl seated in a chair and playing a xylophone as he moves along. There are quite a number of these "pull along" toys, among them a rabbit pressing a large bell and a cat ringing chimes. (Quality Merchandise). One of the toys that will please small

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mechanically minded boys is entirely new design for pedal motor cars. With overall length just over three feet it has all steel body mounted on tubular steel chassis, level operated tipping skip adjustable seat enamelled stove and fitted cushion tyred wheels (Norbrook Toys Redcar, Yorks). Equally up to date are different sized tractors and bulldozers.

New developments are to be found also among the more traditional toys in particular dolls. British made dolls are in considerable demand abroad and their export sales are now exceeding £300,000 yearly. Exhibits at this Toy Fair are likely to help expand this trade for there are a number of Overseas Buyers visiting Bingley Hall.

There is every type of doll on show, all of them beautifully dressed and finished and many of them highly accomplished. Queen of them all perhaps is "1940 wonder doll" which besides walking, talking and sleeping can also sit down. She is believed to be the only walking-doll that can also do this.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS

1. Solomon.
2. Hamlet and Horatio. Hamlet.
3. Official marks stamped on gold and silver plate at Assay Offices in Great Britain.
4. Dover, Hastings, Hythe, Romney, Sandwich, Winchelsea and Rye.
5. Mr. Winston Churchill.
6. The Federation of British Industries and the British Employers' Federation.

Our Serial Story

MURDER FOR SALE

By Raoul Whitfield

CHAPTER ONE

Guy Maxlin had a round, fat face and blue, lazy eyes. He spoke slowly to Timmer:

"He ought to be getting it just about now, Tim—just about now."

Timmer was a small man with dirty, gray eyes and a thin neck. He said harshly: "There'll be a big yelp about it, Guy—there'll be an awful smell."

Maxlin nodded. "Sure," he agreed. "Centre City yelps at every kill. But that don't bring 'em back, Tim."

Maxlin grinned nastily. "He parks a rod, Guy—you know that, eh?"

Maxlin swore at him. "Ain't it hell?" he breathed. "So many guys around Centre City parkin' rods—and none of 'em getting their fingers on the butt ends—before they get all roid."

Maxlin sipped black coffee.

"Yeah," he said after a little while. "I guess Sol Bradwell won't slide any more cards from the bottom of the deck—not now."

The room in which the two men sat was very small. It was on the second floor of a frame house in Centre City's Northside district. The house was owned by Sidney Carr. He was a clerk in the Northside gas department; he lived a quiet respectable life. Each month he received \$200 in cash—payment for entering his house right after work hours—and leaving shortly after by a rear entrance.

The payment also necessitated his returning to the frame house by way of the rear, in the morning, and leaving for work by way of the three wooden steps at the front. Carr was perfectly aware that his house was a spot where quiet plans were laid. No disturbance occurred under the roof—and the 200 a month was welcome to him. He had been receiving it for almost six months now. It was easy money.

A door down below slammed, and Timmer's body jerked nervously. Maxlin said with faint contempt:

"Maybe someone had an accident—and we're getting the news."

Timmer straightened in the chair. "Or maybe Sid Carr just came in to make things look right, you know."

There was a faint sound on the carpeted stairs. The door of the room opened. A short man with red hair and a small mustache came in. He said in a husky voice:

"Get a doc, Guy—I think I'm done. That louse Vannie got me."

He hunched his body forward. Timmer got up from his chair and the red-haired one slipped into it.

Maxlin said to Timmer: "Go down and call Doc Wade. Call him Summer, say you're Sid Carr and you've got a fever."

Timmer nodded his head but kept staring at Bale. Maxlin went over close to Timmer and slapped him sharply across the left cheek with an open right hand.

"Downstairs!" he snapped. The door silently. The red-haired one held his stomach and groaned.

Guy Maxlin stood close to Bale and looked down at him with eyes that were slits of blue.

"You didn't get him?" he asked.

Bale shook his head. "That dick Vannie was driving and spotted our car. He pulled the sedan on the sidewalk. We let loose—and so did Vannie. Bradwell was in back, with another guy. They both got low and let Vannie do the shootin'. I think—we got him."

Maxlin swore twice. "You guys are lousy. You let Bradwell get clear, and Vannie spotted the car. It means the beginning of things—"

The red-haired one groaned. "I'm done, Guy."

Maxlin shook his head. "The Doc'll fix you swell, Red," he said. "And Bradwell'll fix us swell—"

Downstairs, the voice of Timmer sounded.

"Yeah—right now, if you can make it, Doc. I got a bad fever."

Bale leaned forward in the chair, coughed, swayed. He muttered thickly: "And they told me—it was a soft city—to work—"

He cried out hoarsely; his body twisted to one side, towards Maxlin. The fat faced one reached down and caught him. He broke the force of the fall to the carpeted floor. He bent over the red-haired one straightened after a few seconds. Going to the door, he called down the stairs to Timmer. His voice was steady and low.

"Tell Doc he needn't hurry, Tim."

He said. "His patient—he sort of dozed off."

Timmer came up the stairs, stared down at the dead man and shivered.

Guy Maxlin watched the thin necked one closely. He spoke in an almost gentle tone.

"You better be careful, Tim—things are going to be tough—damn tough, Tim. You better get feeling well again."

Timmer got to his feet suddenly and faced the fat faced one. He spoke jerkily:

"You lay—off me, Guy. You can't send me over—I know enough—"

Maxlin looked hurt. "Send you over? What would I do that for, Tim? It ain't quiet enough."

Fear showed in Timmer's eyes. He said in the same jerky way: "I got to get out—of Centre City. Guy! I got to get away. Bradwell'll be right after me. He spotted Cass, sure he did. Cass was drivin' the car. Maybe Bale didn't finish Vannie. There'll be hell to pay Guy."

Maxlin nodded his head.

"Yeah," he agreed. "You're nervous, Tim—and this is just the start."

The telephone bell sounded, from down below. Timmer swung towards the door, but Maxlin stopped him.

"I'll take it," he said. "There might be a draught downstairs. You've been down once. I don't want you to catch cold."

The tone of his voice made Timmer shiver again. Maxlin went from the room and down the stairs. The thin necked one sat in a chair and looked at the motionless figure on the carpet.

"I got to get away," he repeated several times.

When Maxlin came back he was smoking a cigarette and frowning. Timmer asked:

"Did Rooney and Cass—make it all right?"

Guy Maxlin said in a hard voice: "Too bad you weren't along to help 'em. Tim, Cass crawled into Barney's place, across the river—and went out without talking. Rooney must have slipped out of the car—he had a running fight with a Northside copper—and got two slugs in the mouth."

Timmer widened his eyes. "Jeeze—" he breathed. "Cass—Rooney—and Red Bale—"

Maxlin swore and turned his back on Timmer. Timmer said shakily: "You better get—Bale out of here, before the front comes in."

Maxlin swung around sharply. "Telling me what to do?" he asked grimly.

The thin necked one said: "I was just thinkin'—"

Maxlin was thinking, too. He was thinking that Cass was dead and that Rooney was dead. They had both known plenty. The man on the floor was dead—he had been imported from Chi. and he hadn't known too much. He'd been told that Centre City was a "soft city." And he'd believed it.

The suggestion of a smile flickered in Guy Maxlin's blue eyes. Red Bale had believed it—and he was finished. But Bradwell was alive. And Vannie might be alive.

And Timmer was alive. Alive and getting ready to crawl. If a dick grabbed him on any old charge and got him to Centre City's strong room—Maxlin smiled grimly and faced Timmer.

"The show's on, Tim," he said slowly. "Hell's going to pop in Centre City. You know it—and I know it."

And The Deep Blue Sea

(FINAL INSTALMENT)

We got a licking, right at the start. It calls for a new layout. If you want to ease clear—"

The thin necked man showed eagerness in his eyes.

"Jeeze, Guy—" he breathed—"I got to get out. If they grab me, the way I am—"

Maxlin nodded. "Sure—you need a rest, Tim," he said. "You stick around here an hour or so. I'll be all right. I'll give you a note to Goldie, and he can get you some coin. Don't use the stations—better siver out."

The thin necked one nodded. "I'll do—just what you say, Guy," he said eagerly. "And I don't talk any—even if they do get me, Guy."

Maxlin made a scraping sound with his throat; he turned his back on Timmer again and looked out at the poorly lighted street. He thought of the Maxlin-silenced gun in his right hip pocket. His tone was cheerful.

"That's right, Tim," he said. "Don't you talk any—even if the bulls do find you."

CHAPTER TWO

Sol Bradwell was a tall man with broad shoulders and a big head. His face was reddish; his skin was scarred in places from his fighter days years ago. In the leather chair of his office, facing White River, he sat now—and smiled at Don Vannie, the Headquarters dick.

"They ain't wise, Van," he said steadily. "It was just a kill chance—and they took it. Funny."

Don Vannie shrugged. Vannie was shorter than Bradwell, but he was stronger physically and mentally. He had a poker face, dark eyes that were almost always expressionless and dark hair. His features were small—his lips thin. It was his arms that were strange, out of proportion. They were long—his fingertips, with his arms hanging at his sides, could almost touch his knee caps.

He said in a low voice: "Funny—why? You've had the Southside of Centre City tied up for two years. You've cleaned up, Sol—and now you want to move. You didn't expect Maxlin to like it, did you?"

Bradwell shifted slightly in his chair. He chuckled.

"I didn't expect his boys to try for me on a traffic-crowded street. Lucky I met you, Van."

Don Vannie shook his head. "No, it wasn't luck—I bought out a guy and learned enough to worry me."

Bradwell sat up a little and blinked at Don.

"You've got to get one of Maxlin's boys?"

Vannie shrugged. "A front," he said quietly. "His names Sid Carr. His mother left him a frame house over on Blue Street. He got 200 a month for the house. It's a quiet cover-up—and Maxlin works out his big stuff there. Cass and this guy that the copper got in the mouth—Rooney—they've been around. And a gun from Chi—I don't know him from Carr's description, but I think he was in the kill machine tonight. And that rat, Timmer—he's been at the house."

Bradwell swore softly. "What's the number?"

Vannie said: "26—better let me work it, Sol. The bulls haven't squared you yet."

Bradwell swore again. "The 50,000 for the pension fund ought to hit Graybe right. I'm the friend of the police, Van. Hell—they figured to get me, eh?"

Vannie nodded. "That's why I shoved Butch out and drove you."

Bradwell got up from the chair and nodded his head.

"You got brains—just so long as you stick with me, Van, and it's pretty tough—working both ends. What'll Graybe think about you riding in my cap—driving it?"

Don Vannie smiled with his thin lips. He shrugged.

"I'll see the chief in the morning. I can fix that."

Bradwell nodded. "What about this Carr?"

"I gave him 2000—cash. He's going to New Orleans for his health. He'll be gone a month."

TO BE CONTINUED

But the wind blew and nothing worked out the way it was planned. Orring's boat was sunk. And when, on board Kelryno's boat, Kelryno himself had come creeping aboard with a pistol, Orring had knocked him down and carried him off the boat. Then he took the pistol and shot Pavich to prevent him from seeing him come home.

"I threw the gun away, climbed back to my room and went to bed keeping on my trousers and shirt. I was lying there shaking when I heard a commotion in the hall and jumped up. I don't know who it was that clubbed you, Hale. It wasn't me."

Mrs. Cayples spoke, bleakly. "Orring is my son. It was a golf club. I wish it had killed you."

Orring went on with his story. Velma Martine had made his terror complete. She demanded half the ransom money or she would expose the plot.

But the next day, Friday, she read about the murders. Now it would take all the money to keep her quiet.

"So I know then I would have to kill her," Orring said. "I put the gun in an envelope, the way Hale said, when I went to keep the date with her then I shot her."

"I don't know who got the ransom money," he said.

"Your mother, said Hale. "She slipped into your room early Friday morning, and administered chloroform. She was determined to keep you from getting into any more trouble. Then she slipped out of the house, and drove up to the deserted house. She was wearing a pair of my galoshes, to make her footprints look like those of a man."

"She waited in the deserted house until Brock left the suitcase full of money and went away. They she took it and went back to her car. She intended of course, to get the money back to Brock."

Hale turned to Mrs. Cayples. "Where is the money now—in your car trunk?"

Mrs. Cayples nodded silently.

"And it was you," Hale pursued, "who took my pistol out of my car?"

She nodded again. "I was afraid you might snoot Orring."

Hastily Orring Cayples took up his story again. "After Velma Martine was dead I knew—I knew—" He stopped and Hale finished for him. "You knew you'd never be safe while Judie lived. You decided to kill her too."

The ensuing moment of silence was broken by Harold Lettidge. He rose and icily addressed the chief of police. "I suppose I am free to leave now?"

The chief mopped his brow. "Sure. Sure. Mistakes will happen."

"Harold!" Judie's voice had a pleading note. "I did it for you!"

Detridge went out without looking back.

The next day, Hale was breakfasting on the terrace of the Royal Isabella with Bill Buford and Marcia Lansing when a bell boy interrupted. "Telephone, Mr. Hale."

It was the chief of police.

"Say, we just picked up Quillimire. He admits he's Weiler, but he says, so what. If he could raise himself from a train robber to a financial genius the world ought to give him credit."

"Well, you haven't anything to hold him for now."

"Yes, I have. The State of Illinois telegraphed asking us to pick him up. Blue sky law violation."

"Well!" Hale exclaimed excitedly. "Listen, chief, keep him in a hotel under guard until tomorrow morning. My paper will pay the bill."

"Well—I don't know. Listen, you know Friday that Cayples did those murders, but you let me make a chump of myself dragging Detridge in. I guess I'll have to book Quillimire today."

"But, Chief! That's my story! If paper'll get it first. You'll spoil my you book him today, the morning beat!"

"Don't I know it!" said the chief, and hung up, chuckling.

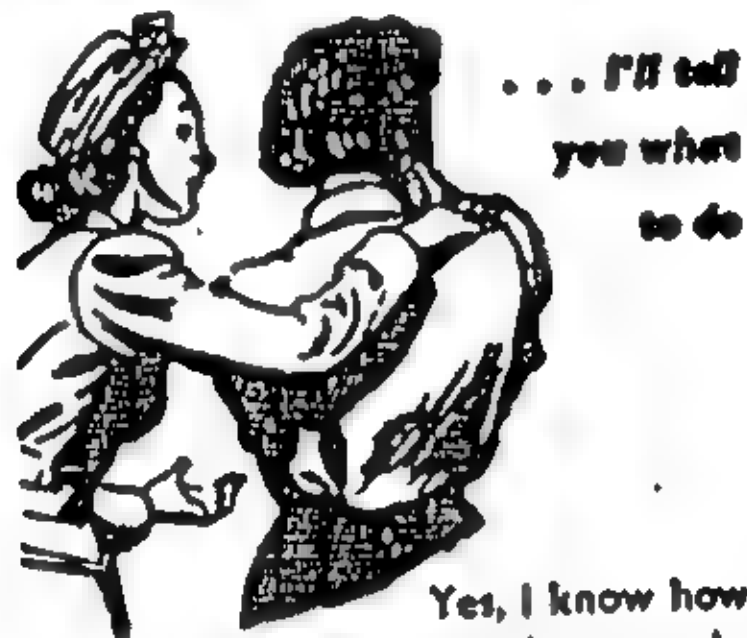
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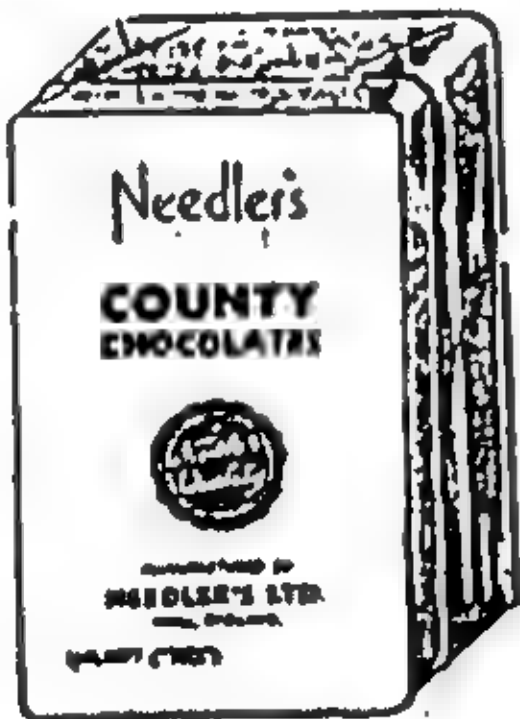
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RECORDED MUSIC

In the halcyon days of peace prior to 1938 (or do I mean 1838?) the H.M.V., Parlophone, Decca and Columbia people turned out for the modest sum of 6d. catalogues of their records. Unhappily, my copies were lost in England and so far I have been unable to replace them. I recall, however, what a veritable treasure-house of information they were and what a splendid job had been done in their compilation.

Compton Mackenzie, author, playwright, musician and editor of the "Gramophone," is probably the greatest living authority of recorded music, and I believe I am right in attributing to him the invention of the description "gramophone." Such a description is not intended to be in any way derogatory, but is a convenient and apt simile to describe the gramophone fan.

The gramophone is something of an anachronism in these days, since the advent of the more elegant and certainly more reliable radiogram. When Edison invented the phonograph some many years ago (I am too fallible as to memory even to hazard a guess) science has progressed apace in this connection.

The modern radiogram is an indispensable piece of equipment to the true gramophile. By its agency, reproduction of records is well-nigh perfect, or as near as makes no difference. The old days of steel-needles and clock-work motors are gone. I still recall, however, my early initiation as a confirmed "gramophile" by way of an H.M.V. portable model and a few assorted records squeezed out of my then-meagre salary!

As I listen now to the electrically recorded discs on a radio gram, the vast difference, by comparison, is brought forcibly home. It is only logical too, that records made by electrical processes should demand a radiogram to reproduce them at their best.

I possess one or two McCormack and Caruso records made in the days when H.M.V. used the old acoustic-recording process. Under this process, the artist sang into a large funnel-shaped horn, the voice being impressed on the matrix by a stylus needle. The effect of this technique compared with the almost flawless modern method of electric full-frequency recording, is unbelievable.

The magnificent voice of Caruso in the famous "Vesti la Giubba" from "Pagliaccio" sounds as if he is pinching his nose hard with his fingers.

An experiment was made just before the War of re-recording some Caruso records by electrical-process and superimposing a new orchestral accompaniment. I hope I shall not be thought unduly bitter if I say this latter inspiration was particularly appropriate! It may or may not be the fault of the old recording, but the clarinet, especially in the Caruso edition of the "Lancavallo" aria, sounds like nothing on earth.

McCormack, on the other hand, appears to fare rather better than his illustrious contemporary. It may possibly be something to do with the quality (or rather, timbre) of the voice. But it is certain the pre-electric McCormack's produce a much better guide than the Caruso issues to the quality of their respective voices.

Organ and piano recordings suffered particularly under the old acoustic system, and very often the issued discs were atrocious representation of the artist's genius. I don't think the recording companies will hold me guilty of libel in saying this, since they are the first to admit the rapid strides made in the technique of recording.

Ref. Pacchinnani made many pre-electric recordings for H.M.V. and in one Chopin recording I possess he says

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quite distinctly "I can't go on — I'll try again." One must perforce attribute this unique aside to his well-known eccentricity rather than a comment on the recording system.

Even now, H.M.V. technicians will admit that piano and organ recording afford them the biggest headache. I know from experience the patience and incredible methods adopted to ensure the very best possible records.

Fidelity of reproduction is an object which is always being one also which has, nowadays, reached a pitch of quasi-perfection. All music-lovers owe and readily admit to the debt of gratitude they owe to the technicians of the recording industry.

And now for the customary brief review of the coming week's programmes. A word of appreciation first, however, to Radio Hong Kong for last Sunday's Symphony Concert and in particular the exquisite recording to the Mozart aria, "Il mio tesoro intanto" from "Don Giovanni." For many years this aria has been a prime favourite with any tenor worthy of the name.

This particular recording is by a tenor quite new to me and the H.M.V. lists — Azel Schlotz. I have not the slightest doubt in saying this is the loveliest piece of singing I have heard in many years—a voice of unequalled ease and charm. So much so, that the next morning I rang up Radio Hong Kong, asked for the number of the record and forthwith bought it.

For those interested, the number is DB/5284 (H.M.V.). As a matter of interest, the opposite side, ("Dalla sua pace," also from "Don Giovanni.") is included in Thursday Serenade at 10.16 p.m. on Thursday next. Go out now and buy this record. I guarantee you will agree with every word I have written it is worth twice the price.

The Sunday Symphony Concert at 9.15 p.m. tonight comprises:—
Symphony No. 4 in F Minor

Tchaikowski.
Pianoforte Concerto No. 2 in B Flat

Brahms.
of the six symphonies which Tchaikowski composed in his life-time, numbers four, five and six have succeeded in gaining an almost notorious popularity, but not, I feel, to the extent of making them hackneyed.

The No. 4, being played tonight, contains the famous "Fate-knocking at the door" motif, which is used with tremendous effect in the first and last movements. In the third movement, there is a superbly effective movement for solo oboe, followed by alternating pizzicato on strings and brass and No. 4 must be ranked as quite a tour-de-force, and well in keeping with the high standards of Tchaikowski.

Brahms wrote only two pianoforte concertos, both of which uphold his characteristics of classicism and austerity, coupled with the automatic responsibility of matching up the standards set by Beethoven. That Brahms succeeded in achieving these objectives in one fell swoop cannot be denied.

MONDAY

By way, of sheer coincidence, Compton Mackenzie's name occurs again, and this time in his dual capacity of author and play-wright. At 8.30 p.m. a short radio adaptation of his famous novel "Carnival" is to be heard, with Jean Kent and Dermot Welsh as the stars. I can recall at least two film versions of this appealing play and its popularity does not seem to have at all on account of such repetition.



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TUESDAY

At 8.40 p.m., there is a tantalisingly short programme of Operatic Music, when Lawrence Tibbett and Jeanette Macdonald are the singers. This is followed at 9.00 p.m. by a further contribution in the "20 Questions" series, a feature which, as I have remarked, before, seems to continue its claim to popularity undiminished by the passage of time.

At 10.16 p.m., a new series of Chamber Music commences with Beethoven's "Kreutzer" Sonata, the artist being Jacques Thibaud and Alfred Cortot. The "Kreutzer" Sonata is generally acknowledged to represent the best features of all the Beethoven sonatas and is typical of the style he developed in this art-form.

THURSDAY

At 8.10, there is a short programme of music including:—

The "Coq d'or" Wedding March

Rimsky-Korsakov.

Aria from "Die Fieschulz" Weber.

Adagio for Strings Barber.

I make especial mention of this 15-minute feature because of the "Fieschulz" aria. In 1937, Decca Polydor announced a record of a new German soprano, Tiana Lemnitz. She was singing the great soprano aria "And if clouds obscure" from Act II of Weber's opera. The record was only obtainable via Germany from the London lists of the Polydor series and after some time, I managed to secure it, and it has even survived the 10,000 mile journey from England to Hong Kong. Without any doubt, it is one of the greatest pieces of recorded soprano singing ever made and I recall "The Gramophone" at the time acclaimed the record as one of the finest of the last 10 years. Listen tonight and see if you agree.

At 8.25 p.m., the popular Rachmaninov Piano Concerto No. 2 is being given, with the composer as soloist. Unlike many of the moderns, Rachmaninov seems able to infuse grace and melody into this Concerto, more in line with the classical conception of the concerto instilled into us by the works of Beethoven and Tchaikovsky. It is, I believe, this facility for simplicity which has endeared this concerto the modern public.

NEWS QUIZ ANSWERS

1. The as President Fillmore, American.
2. Brussels. Mr. Churchill was attending the Council of the United European Movement.
3. Wuchow, on the West River.
4. In Japan, on an island off Hokkaido. He flew from the Maritime Province.
5. HMS Aurora, presented to China from Britain.
6. Singapore United Services.

Children's Herald

AT MY TYPEWRITER...



No doubt you will have noticed that the warm weather is beginning, and very soon we shall be able to go sea-bathing again. By the way, how many of you are swimmers, or do you go to the beaches at all?

Swimming, as everyone knows, is an excellent sport. Besides helping you to build up your muscles and appetite, it also gives your whole body the exercise which is so essential towards keeping in good health. Some people, however, do not know how to control themselves when they get into the water, with the result that they either get sick or sunburnt. No matter what you do, enjoy yourselves, but remember never to overdo it.

I'm glad to know that nearly all of you like the new idea about the prizes for the competitions. Any other suggestions will be much appreciated.

Children that are not members think they are "gate crashing" when they send in stories, drawings or other articles. Well, they are not. I'm always glad to hear from children, so don't worry about "gate crashing."

Happy days to you all, from

Auntie Vee

Your Dreams And What They Mean

ABROAD—A change of work is probable. This dream shows that you are in an unsettled state of mind.

AFLOAT—On smooth water, a happy destiny. On a rough sea, troubles not of your own making.

AIRPLANE—A sign of money making.

ANGELS—A fortunate dream. It applies especially to affairs of the heart and friendships.

APPLES—A good omen. But if you eat the fruit, you will be responsible for some misfortune to yourself or others.

AUNT—A fortunate sign.

COMPETITION WINNERS

Two first prizes of \$5 go to Alice E. Rodrigues of Argyle Camp 2, Kowloon, and Law Ping-shue of 27, Caroline Hill Road, 1st floor, Hong Kong, for winning the "What Amused The Clown" competition.

Six consolation prizes of \$2 go to Anna Yu of 88A, Bonham Road, Hong Kong, Louise Diespecker of 51, Kimberley Rd. 2nd floor, Kowloon, Diana Anderson of 202C, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon, Henry Chin of 16, Mongkok Road,

2nd floor, Cheng Kam Wing of 7, Morrison Hill Road, 3rd floor, Hong Kong and Cynthia Broom of 112, Waterloo Road, Kowloon.

Congratulations to you all for very good work.

"Hello, Brown, are you using your car this afternoon?"

"Yes, I'm afraid I am."

"Fine. You won't need your tennis racket; mine is broken."

PAINTING COMPETITION



This week's competition was sent in by Vincent Chang of 25C, Tung Tau Village, Kowloon.

The prizes will be the same as last week's. Two first prizes of \$5 each and six consolation prizes of \$2 each.

Paint the picture in any colours you like, and send it to me, Auntie Vee, Children's Herald, Windsor House.

Remember to mark the left hand corner of your envelope "Painting Competition," also enclose the slip with your entry.

NAME
ADDRESS
AGE



UNDER THE BLACK ENSIGN

By A C ALLAN

STEP by step James Harkness was forced along the slender plank until it tilted to plunge him headlong, and from the bulwarks Jabez Loudon watched the struggling victim as he was carried into the wake of the ship to sink finally from view.

Then he faced Ketch in a silence broken only by the sigh of the wind in the rigging, the laboured breathing of Trevor, and the broken weeping of Caroline.

"Tis for you to choose whether ye suffer a like fate," said Loudon. "Harken, my friend—aboard the Hyperion ye masqueraded as plain Bartholomew Ketch, honest sailorman. But when I clapped eyes on ye I recognised ye as that same Bartholomew Ketch who once shipped with Lemuel Daw, the pirate captain who was captured w' most o' his crew in these very waters a year past."

"NOW a month or so afore his capture Daw buried plunder somewhere among the islands o' these seas," he went on. "And you, who alone escaped when Daw an' the rest were taken, must know where that treasure is hid."

Bartholomew Ketch moistened his pallid lips. "Ye're mistaken, Captain. I never shipped w' Daw."

"Ye lie!" roared Loudon. "Seize him, lads! To the plank with him! We'll see if he pipos a different tune as we feed him to the fishes!"

Rough hands fastened on Ketch, and at that his courage failed him utterly.

"WAIT!" he panted. "I'll talk! I was of Daw's company and know the whereabouts o' that treasure! 'Tis buried on yonder very island a mile to starboard and if ye'll camp there to-night, I'll lead ye to the plunder come daybreak—as soon's I can take my bearings. This I'll do, Cap'n Loudon, in exchange for my life. I swear it."

Loudon's cruel lips curled in a smirk. "'Tis a bargain," he declared, and then squinted narrowly at Trevor and Caroline.

"As for you two," he said, "ye'll stay close by me. Your fine clothes mark ye out as quality."

The Runaway Balloon

One day a red balloon broke away from a little boy's hand. It soared across the city and got its string tangled in a friendly apple tree.

The North wind blew and blew. But the little red balloon hung fast on the tree. A mother robin perched on a branch and looked at it. "Oh," said she, "you match my red breast. If you were fat with a hole in you, you'd made a good nest. But I think I like my house better," and she flew back to her hungry babies.

The next day a kite flew up. It was a blue one with a broad white stripe on which its name was written. It was called, "Speedy". "Hello," bobbed the kite, and it too was caught in the apple tree. Its owner came climbing up the tree to get it. Carefully the boy untangled the blue kite. Then he untangled the red balloon.

How good it felt to be free again! The little red balloon danced for joy. The little boy then looked at the balloon and noticed it had lost some weight, so he started to blow it up. He blew and he blew, but he blew so strongly that he blew a hole right through it. And flit! it crumpled up. So, that is the end of the runaway balloon.

Honour certificate to Henry Chan of 7, Li Yuen St. West, 2nd floor, Hong Kong.

Maybe ye've kin who'll pay heavy ransom for ye, and, however rich Daw's treasure, I'll not turn up my nose at any fair offer for ye."

AT a command from him the ship's helmsman altered course, and not long afterwards the Baracuda was anchored in a bay and the pirates and their captives were encamped on the beach of a low-lying tropic isle.

A fire was lit and the buccaneers lay down to sleep, but not before Loudon had detailed one of his band to guard the prisoners.

The sentinel, however, was soon dozing. Indeed, there seemed no reason why he should remain alert, for even if the captives strayed they could not leave the island.

The task of launching a heavy longboat, hauled high and dry up the beach, was beyond Ketch and two mere children.

Ketch, in fact, was slumbering. Not so Caroline and Trevor, and in the deep quiet the girl spoke tremulously.

"TREVOR," she whispered in faltering tones, "it's only a question of time before Loudon finds out we're the orphaned children of a merchant who died of a broken heart when misfortune overtook him and left him penniless."

"Sooner or later," she added, "Loudon will discover that for all our fine clothes we were just paupers homeward bound for England—to the cottage of an impoverished aunt who has nothing to offer us but a humble roof over our heads."

Trevor stared into the firelight. "Yes," he muttered, "and when Loudon learns there can be no ransom for us—we shall go the way of poor Doctor Harkness."

Wonder Questions

Why were the Pyramids and the Sphinx built?

The Pyramids of Egypt were the tombs of ancient kings. The Egyptians believed that life after death went on much the same as life on earth, and so kept a man's possessions, models and drawings of his home and slaves in his tomb. Most of all they took pains to keep and preserve the mummified body, and so the wealthy kings and princes built huge pyramids to house them after death, with secret entrances to protect them against robbers.

The great Sphinx is a huge statue in the desert with a lion's body and the head of one of the ancient Pharaohs.

What is Horsepower?

Horsepower is a standard for working out the power of engines. People had become accustomed to the power of horses to work. When engines were invented, in order that people might easily realise how much work they could do, they spoke of them being three or four times as strong as a horse, or having three or four horsepower.

Technically, the actual measurement is equal to the moving of 33,000 lbs. of weight a distance of one foot a minute.

WHO AM I?

P is for pin but not for tin,
R is for river but not for quiver,
I is for ivory but not for every,
Z is for zebra but not for beaver,
E is for eyes but not for spies,
When we enter competitions we hope to win a—

Answer: CHAMPION

Honour certificate to Sally Silva, aged 11, of 6 Salisbury Avenue, Kowloon.

Sort Out These Jumbled Words

Here are names of some people from whom you boys and girls often go to buy things from. They are jumbled together, and when you really can't think them out, then turn the page upside down and you'll find the answers there.

(1) Chubree, (2) Reenroceorg, (3) Genomshif, (4) Myrindan, (5) Dpnarre, (6) Mgoreronin, (7) Kacbr, (8) Tlecfancerno, (9) Orgere, (10) Michale.

Jumbled Words Answers

Grocer, Chemist, Butcher, Confectioner, Baker, Barber, Draper, Fishmonger, Greenkeeper, Honorary certificate to Helena Law of 118, Caine Road, 2nd floor, Hong Kong.

ROBBERS

One day, as I was walking down Nathan Road, I saw two of my old friends. At first I did not recognise them, but they called me, so I walked along with them. Suddenly I heard someone blowing a police-whistle, and soon after that I heard the noise of guns, and so I parted with my friends.

I went to the scene and found that two armed robbers were trying to break into a jewellery shop, and when the people did not let them in, they shot at them.

Having seen this, I blew my police-whistle to call for more police.

When the robbers saw me, they started to shoot at me. One of the shots went through my arm, and with a hard struggle I killed one of the robbers.

After this, the other robbers tried to escape, but it was too late, for a party of police had arrived and arrested them.

We took them to the police station, and there they were sentenced to prison. I was taken to hospital and

Waters

So many kinds of water! I like them all. I like to lift my face And feel the rain fall.

Spring water sweet to taste On a summer day, Brooks for wading barefoot, And salt sea spray.

Little lakes for fishing, Weedy and green, Sunny bays for swimming, Cold and blue and clean.

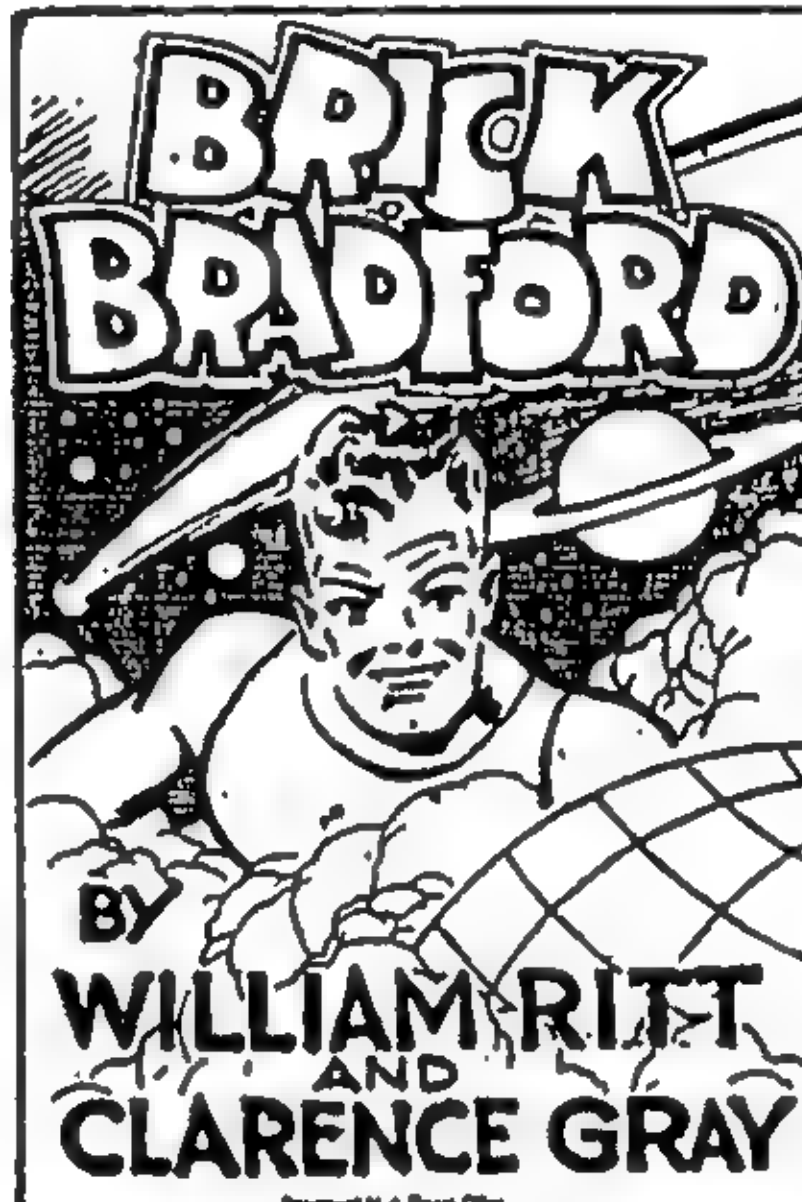
A big brown river Where a lazy large floats, A small brown puddle For sailing toy boats.

MARION CONGER.

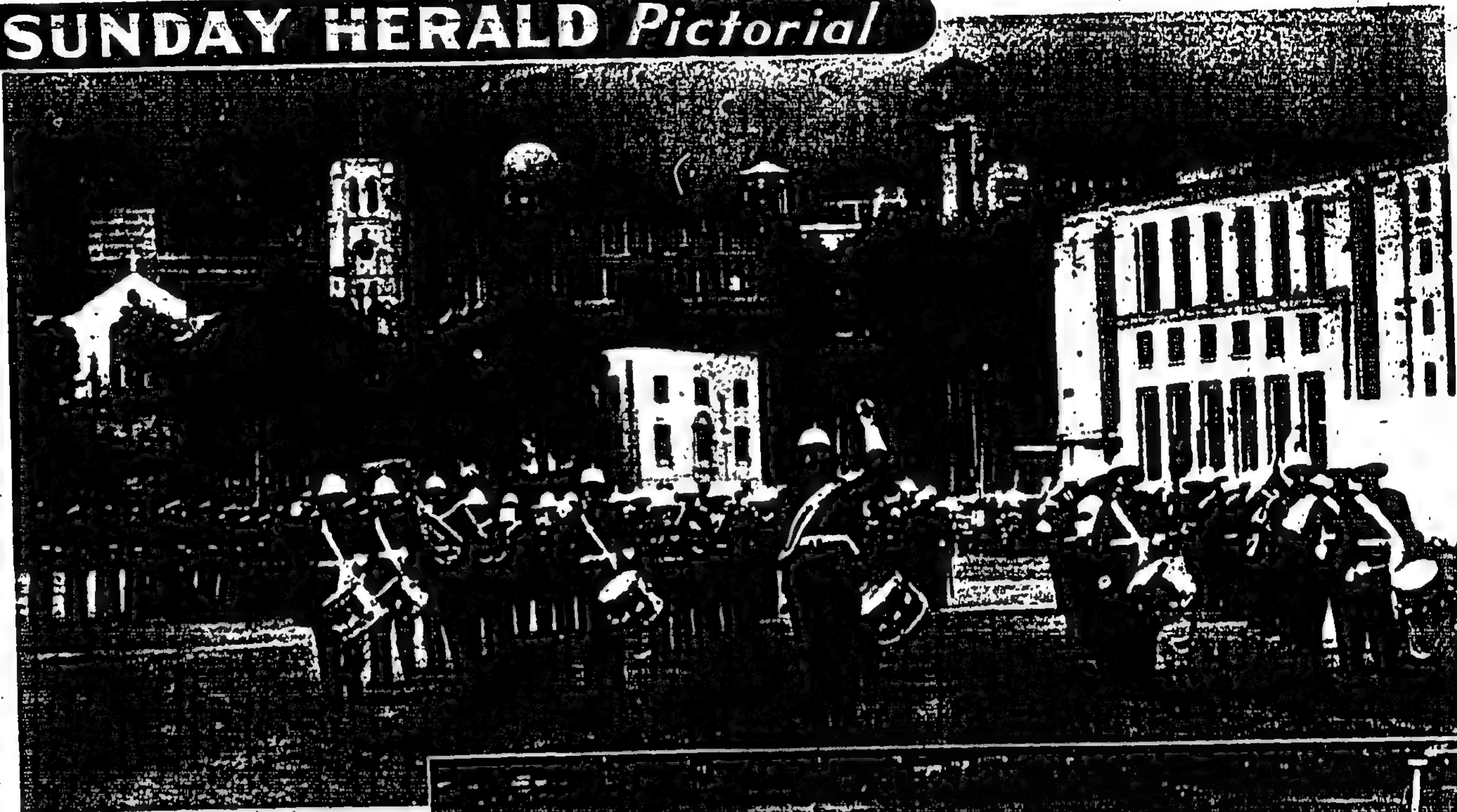
while I was in hospital my friends came to visit me.

One of them will be going to Australia and the other to a far off place, so I had to part with them after all.

Honour certificate to Coralie, Glibert, of 214 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon.



SUNDAY HERALD Pictorial



The Royal Marine Band of the Fleet parades at the "Beating of Retreat" at the Hong Kong Cricket Club Ground on February 24. ("China Mail" photo).



Senior officers of the Services at the "Beating of Retreat" at the Hong Kong Cricket Club on February 24. ("China Mail" photo).

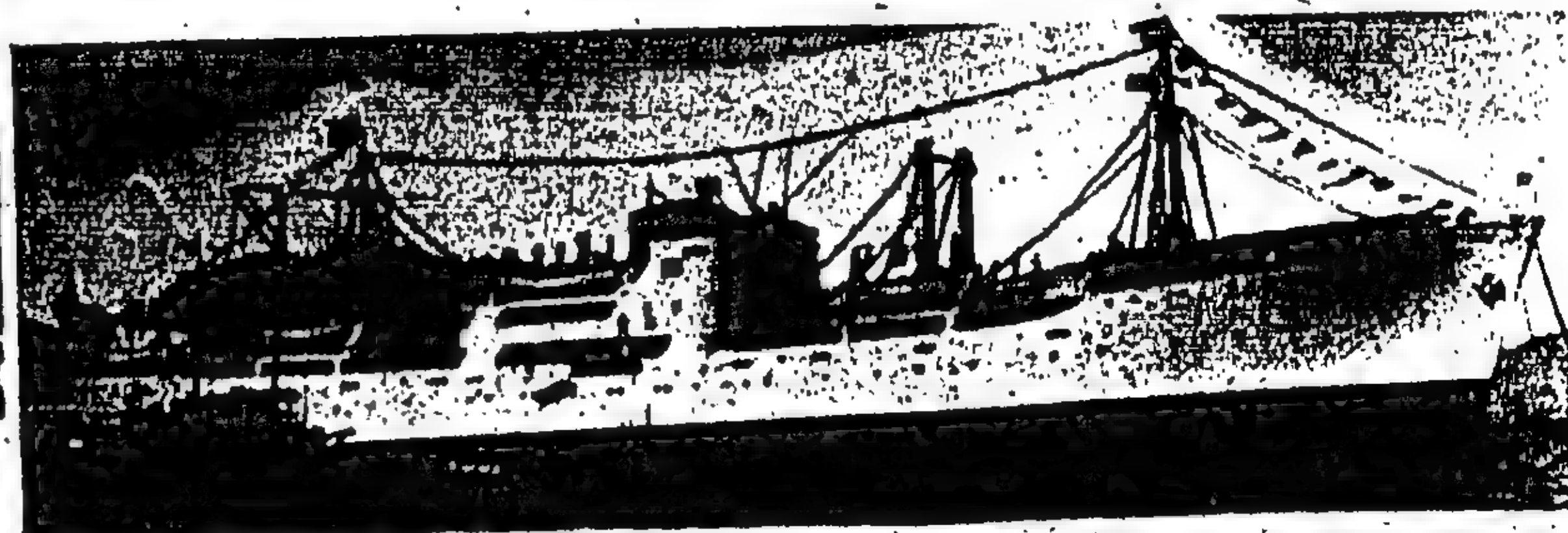


Another view of the Royal Marine Band of the Fleet at the "Beating of Retreat" at the Hong Kong Cricket Club Ground. ("China Mail" photo).

The ss. Hoi Wong in Hong Kong harbour. A cocktail party was held on board on February 24. ("China Mail" photo).



At the cocktail party on board the ss. Hoi Wong, from left to right: Mr. W. K. Tang, Mr. Lam C. Cheong, Capt. M. Bjerkenes and Mr. Lothe. ("China Mail" photo).





Mr. Charles Loseby, standing, is shown addressing the audience at the meeting last week of the Hong Kong Reform Club. ("China Mail" photo).

The first meeting of the Reform Club was attended by a large gathering, shown below. ("China Mail" photo).



Colonel C. F. Tod (facing the camera), gave a press conference in his capacity as Army Public Relations Officer, attached to Land Forces Far East, upon his arrival in Hong Kong from Singapore. ("China Mail" photo).

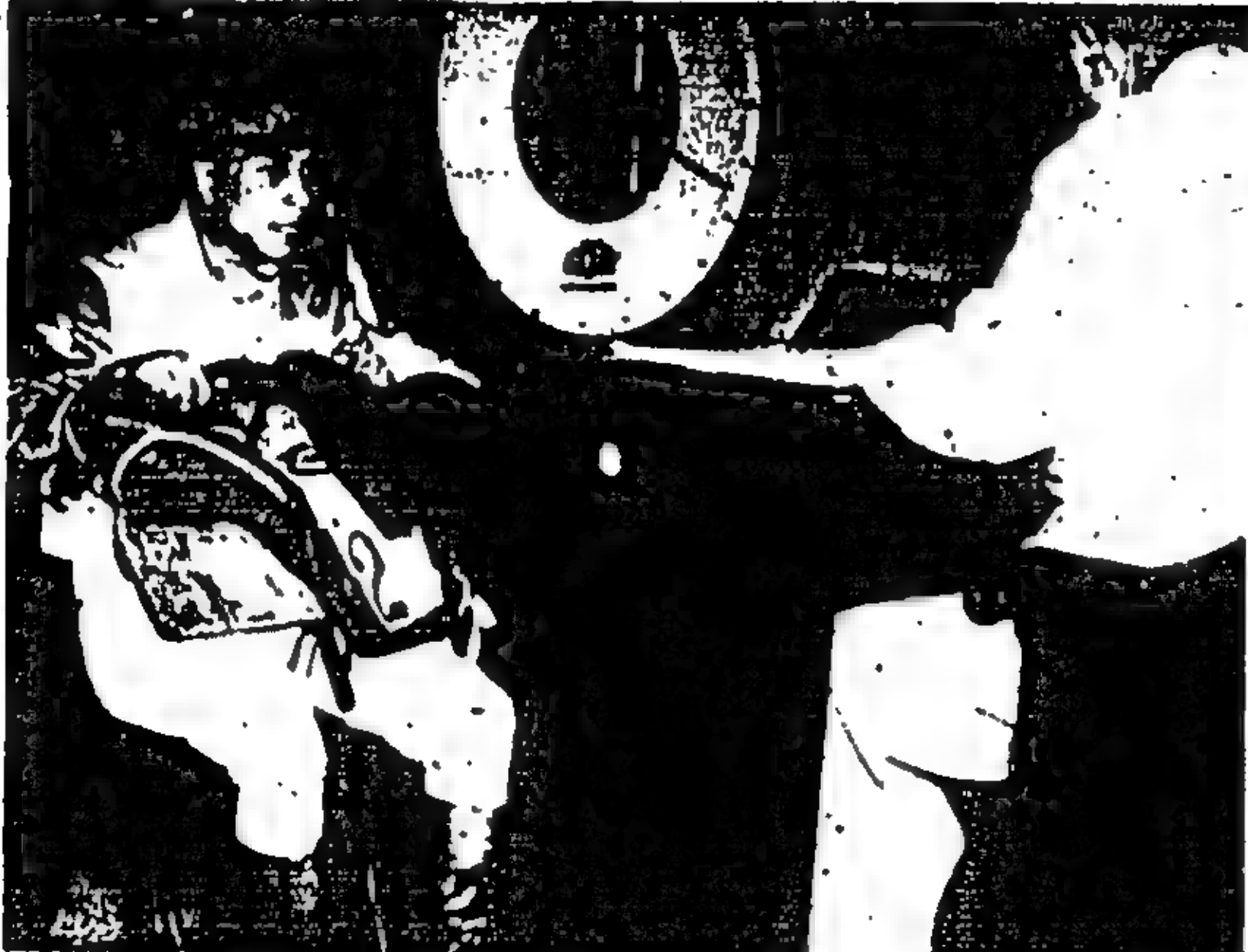


Participants in the Navy's cross-country race on February 24. ("China Mail" photo).

Mr. and Mrs. Kees, Mrs. Lawrence, Yueng Ying-yin and Mr. J. R. Lawrence. ("China Mail" photo).



The party celebrating Sir Chow Shou-son's 89th birthday on February 24 was attended by a large gathering of relatives and friends, among them Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Wang. ("China Mail" photo).



L/S R. D. Ham, who was the first to complete the cross-country race on February 24. ("China Mail" photo).

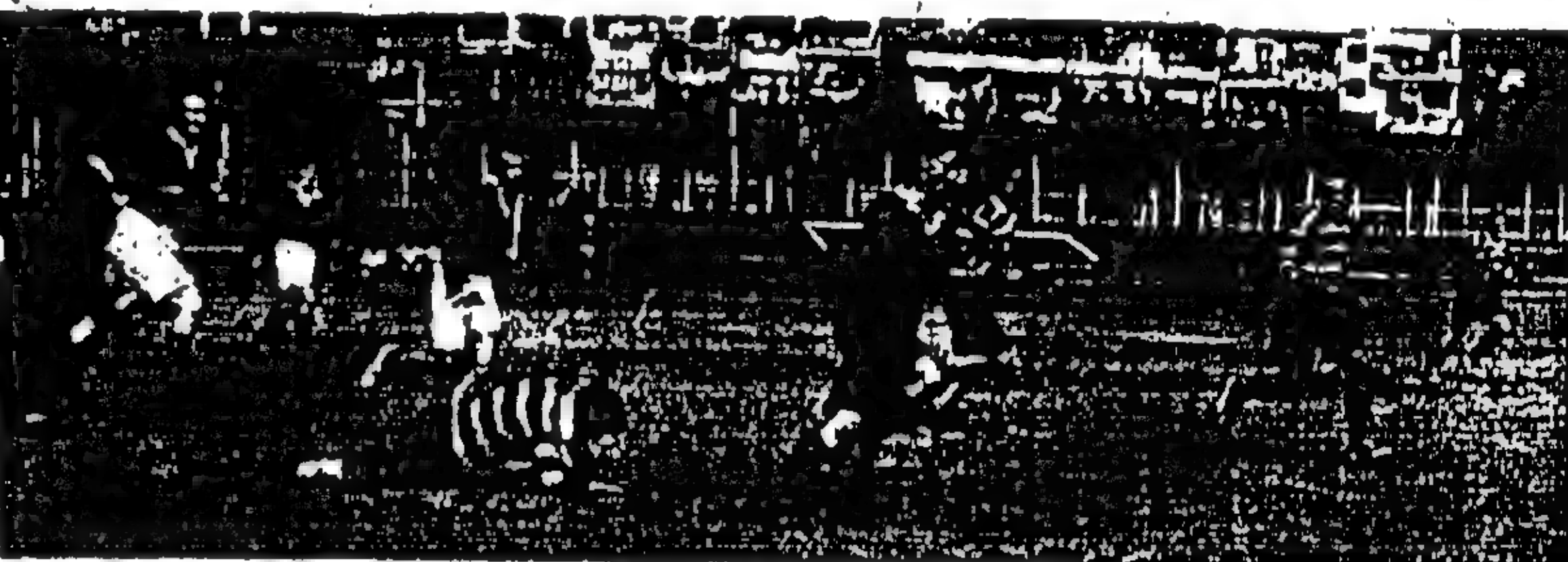
Tao, who rode the Lovely Lady to win the Melbourne Cup on February 26. ("China Mail" photo).



Vice-Admiral Brind, right, presenting a plaque to the "London Wales" team, which won the Navy's Rugby Tournament on February 23. ("China Mail" photo).



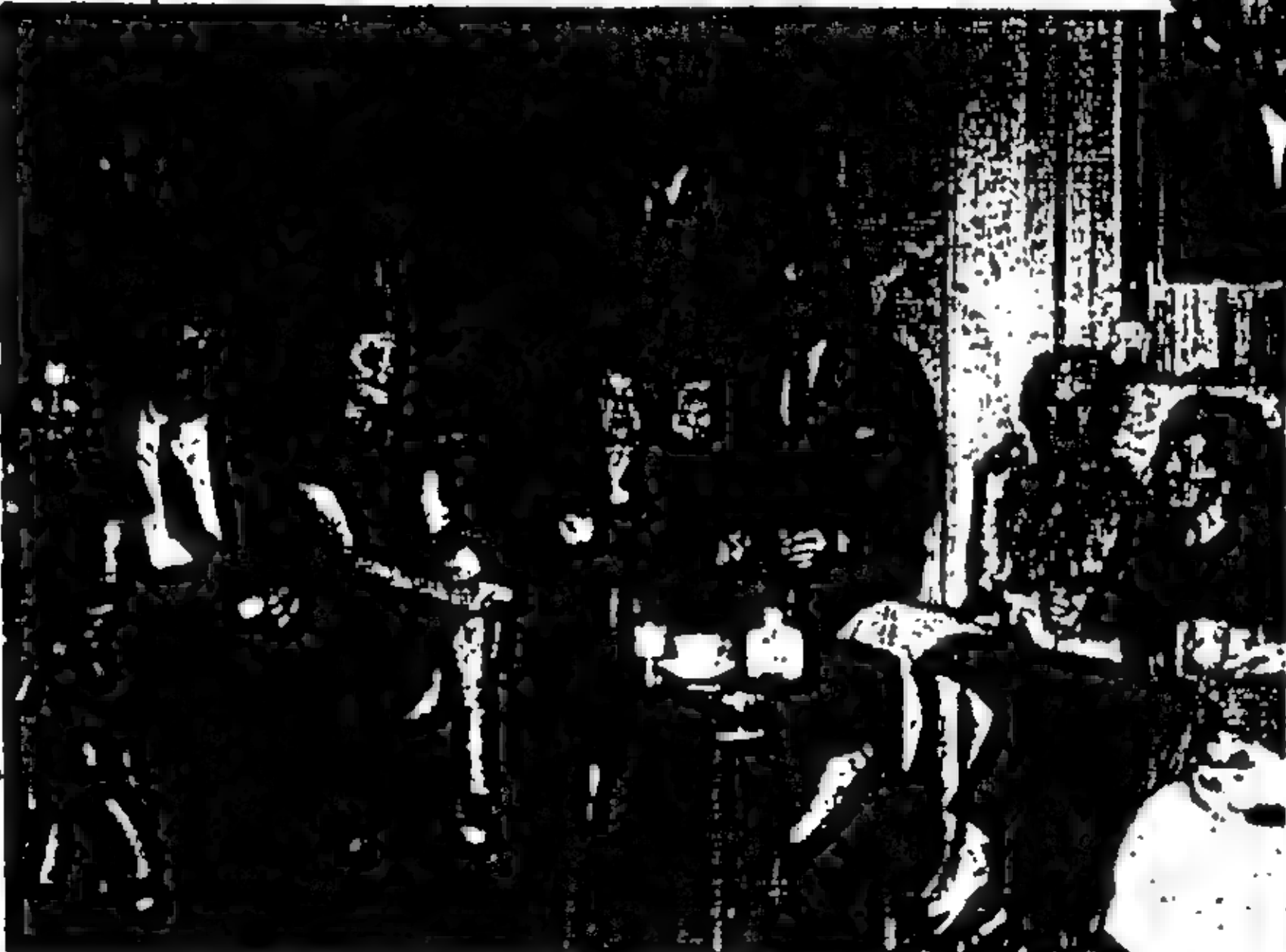
The "London Wales" team, which won the Navy's Seven-A-Side Rugby Tournament played at Causeway Bay on February 23. ("China Mail" photo).



An exciting view of the Navy's Seven-A-Side Rugby match as it was played at the Navy Playground on February 23. ("China Mail" photo).



Guests seated for the cinema performance which was held prior to the dinner. ("China Mail" photo).



Mrs. Kees, Mr. W. J. Liddle, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Nuttall, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. C. D. N. Walker, Mrs. Penn and Mrs. Callow. ("China Mail" photo).

Mrs. Callow, Mr. C. D. N. Walker, Mrs. Nuttall, Mrs. Kees, Mr. J. H. Glover, Mr. Lloyd, Mrs. Collis and Mr. Martin Wang. ("China Mail" photo).





Mr. and Mrs. Hsieh Ching-chi after their wedding in St. Joseph's Church on February 20. ("China Mail" photo).



Mr. and Mrs. E. Harvey after their wedding at St. Theresa's Church on February 20. ("China Mail" photo).



First post-war group picture of Lugard Hall, University of Hong Kong. Those seated in the front row include: Mr. R. Obilias (Warden and President, centre), flanked by Mr. Kenneth Lobo (Hon. Secretary) on the right, and Dr. O. U. Lau (Chairman) on the left. (Ming Yuen photo).

Directors and Trustees of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce as they gathered at the Ying King Restaurant for a dinner party to celebrate the Spring Festival on February 25. (Sun Ying Ming Studio photo).

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In The Mailbag

JESSIE & ELSIE CHILDE, congratulations to both of you for doing so well in your exams. Keep it up.

Yes! I would love to know something about your baby sister, so please do write and tell me all about her.

ROBERT MEDINA, thanks for the contributions. You are now very near to the \$10 prize for the number of added points from the certificates. Good work.

ODETTO SOUZA, the telephone number of the "Children's Herald" is the same number as the "China Mail" 24354.

ALICE E. RODRIGUES, it's not true what your friend said about not getting any points for stories or drawings sent in if you're not a member. As long as your articles are printed in the page, you will get your points.

H.C.C. Members

NAME: Wilma Watson.
ADDRESS: Peninsula Hotel,
Room 220, Kowloon.

AGE: 11.
HOBBIES: Like doing all kinds
of things.

NAME: Rudolf George Watson.
ADDRESS: Lyton House, 32-38
Mody Road, Room 815.

AGE: 14.
HOBBIES: Making models.

NAME: Irene Wan.
ADDRESS: 1, On Lan Street,
(3rd flr.)

AGE: 14.
HOBBIES: Stamp collecting,
knitting and reading.

NAME: Wendy Yeo.
ADDRESS: 6, Suffolk Road,
Kowloon Tong.

AGE: 11.
HOBBIES: Drawing and a little
hand work.

NAME: Donald Yu.
ADDRESS: 119, Waterloo Road,
Kowloon Tong.

AGE: 10.
HOBBIES: Drawing and bicycle
riding.

NAME: Richard Yu.
ADDRESS: 119, Waterloo Rd.,
Kowloon Tong.

AGE: 14.
HOBBIES: Stamp collecting and
photography.

My Mother

My mother is a kind woman. She has a good character and a kind attitude towards others. Although she lives in a city, she has no vanity. She leads a simple life looking after us with a loving heart.

She is a clever woman too. Whenever a difficulty confronts her, she can easily solve it. So nothing is impossible with her. If she makes up her mind to do something, not succeeding is nothing to her.

When I was a small girl, I was rather naughty, yet she was not always angry with me. I love my mother very much, and she loves me too. I want to be good to her with all my good will. A mother's love is really the greatest of all love in the world.

Honour certificate to Helena Lau, aged 15, of 118, Calne Road, 2nd floor, Hong Kong.

The Bird Through

A score of little feathered guests,
To my bird table hurry,
They know the table has been
set.

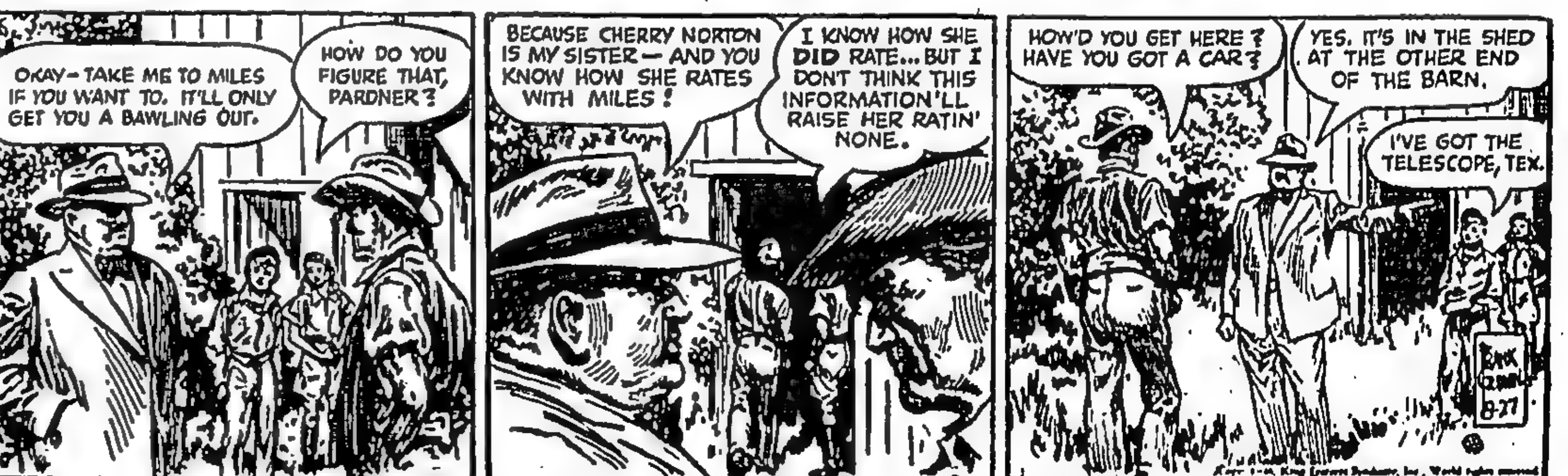
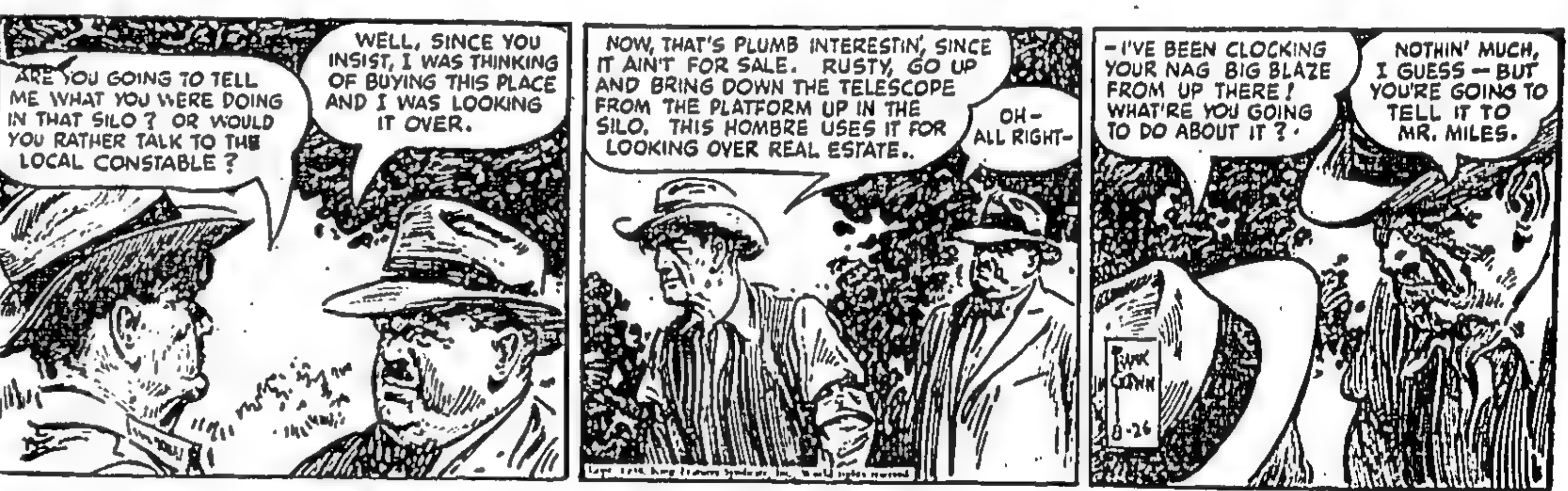
So they've no need to worry.
Fat Robin comes and sparrows
too.

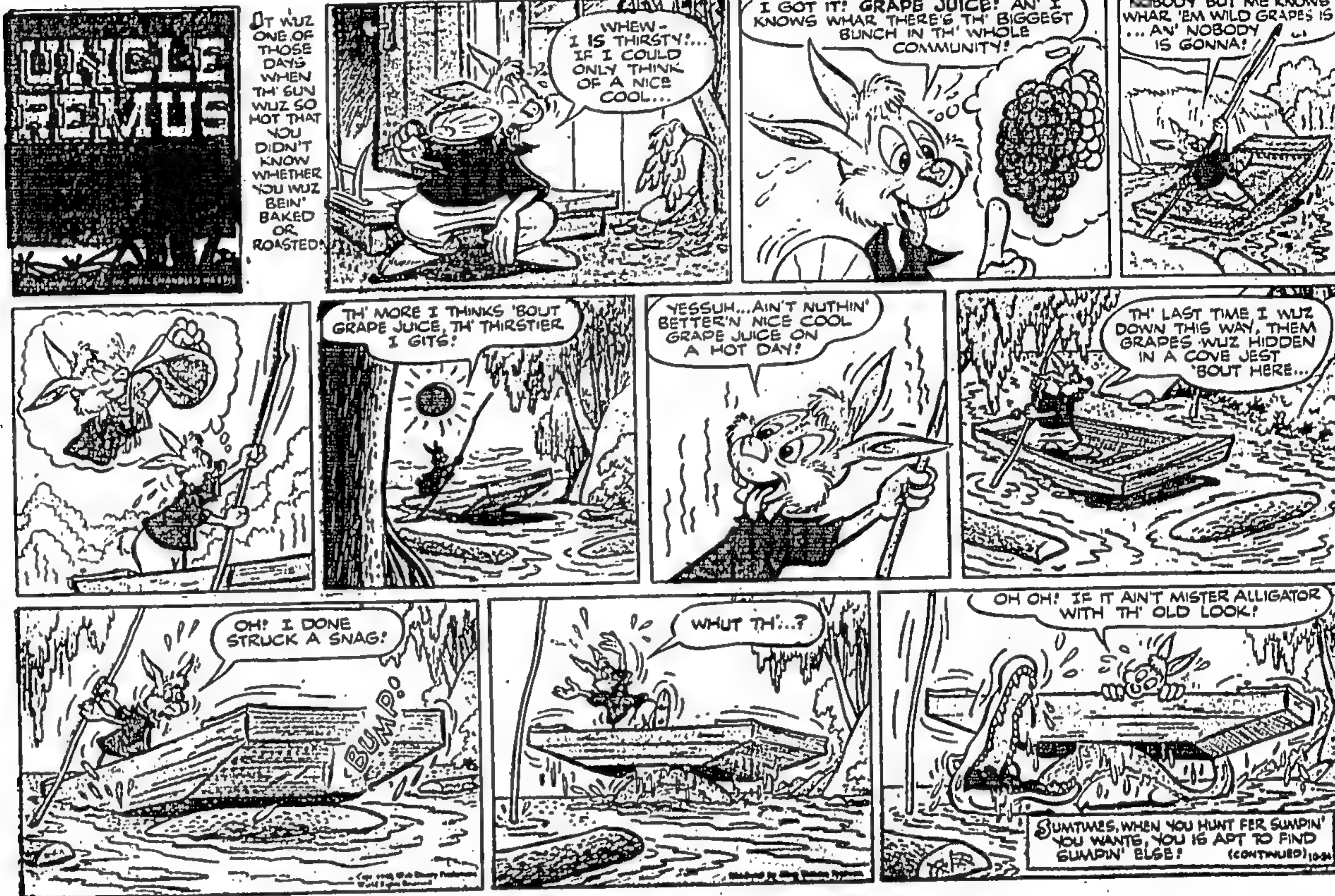
And half-a-dozen chirping tits,
While finches join the hungry
throng.

And peck away at all the bits,
Honour certificate to Geoffrey
L. Truman of 20, Jubilee Build-
ings, Sam Shui Po.

RUSTY RILEY

By Frank Godwin





Honesty Is The Best Policy

My name is James. One cold winter's night when my father and I were returning home from a visit, we saw a brown figure standing against the snow. We were not sure what it was because we were too far away.

My father and I ran quickly to the brown figure, and as we got near it we saw it was a dog all huddled up trying to warm himself.

When I laid my hands on him, he was almost frozen because the weather has gone down to somewhere near zero. I put my head against his body, and hearing the beating of his heart slowly and weakly, we knew then we still had a chance to save him.

Father took off his overcoat and wrapped the dog in it. Our only hope was to get home in time to save him.

After we got home we put him near the fire-place. My mother rubbed his body with a towel till it was dry. We gave him some food to eat which he ate quickly and greedily and even begged for more. But mother said that it would do harm to eat too much after starving.

He got better and better each day and finally he recovered completely.

I named him Nelli without knowing exactly why. Perhaps it was because my Aunt's dog which died a year ago was named Nelli.

Soon my Nelli learned many tricks, tricks that most dogs should know. He was bright and learned very quickly.

Once he saved a little girl's life, by not letting her cross the street to pick up her ball, for just then a car had passed the street in full speed. He was rewarded with a piece of meat which made him very proud of himself.

My father decided to give him away, but I begged him not to as I loved Nelli more than anything else in the world. I then asked him why he didn't want Nelli, and

he told me gently that he was out of a job and it would cost him too much to keep a dog.

I didn't asked any more questions but went up to my room. You see I felt real bad, for Nelli was my best companion, my comforter when I was in trouble, sick or dismay. He became so devoted to me that I just didn't have the heart to give him away.

I cried the whole night, and just couldn't get off to sleep. Then all of a sudden someone opened my room door and a head appeared in sight and I could see it was mother's face. I called to her softly and she was startled to see that I was not asleep, so she came and sat down beside me. I then told her my troubles and told her to help me to persuade father to let me keep Nelli. She said that she would do her best and that I should go off to sleep.

I woke up the next morning, dressed quickly and ran downstairs, right into the kitchen where my mother was cooking. I asked her had father changed his mind or not. Her answer was no.

Now father works at a coin dealer shop. It so happened that one of the valuable coins had disappeared yesterday and he was fired straight away.

When I heard this I felt so sad that I walked out of the house not knowing exactly where I was going. My eyes were blinded with tears that was running down my two cheeks.

Suddenly I kicked something and looking down I found a black wallet. I picked it up and looked inside and found the owner's name, "William Hold."

He was one of my father's best customers so I knew his address. Quickly I went to his house to return his wallet. He lived in a beautiful place for he was a very rich man. When I got there I hesitated a moment before I rang the doorbell. It so happened he answered the door himself, and I could see that his face looked a little troubled. I asked him did he lose his wallet and immediately

Birthday Greetings

DAVID KWAN of 11, Nanking Street, 2nd floor, Kowloon will be 15 years old today.

On March 10, ROBERTO NUNES of 14, Granville Road, 2nd floor, Kowloon will also be 15 years old.

Happy Birthday to you both.

his face brightened and he answered yes.

I gave him back his wallet as I was sure it belonged to him, and in return he invited me, for tea. I dressed in my best clothes and went for tea and didn't tell my mother about it. As a reward he wanted to give me \$500 which I would not take. He pressed me to take it and said that money was to take it and said that money was nothing to him but that in his very wallet there was an address of his son which he thought was dead.

He asked me if I had any troubles and I told him mine, the whole story about Nelli and how my father was fired.

He quickly got up and went in the next room and came out with a coin in his hand. He told me he had picked it up at the door outside a shop yesterday, he gave it to me and I took it and thanked him.

As I was going home, I found myself holding the coin tightly in my hand, fearing it would run away. I showed it to my father as soon as I got home and asked him if that was the coin or not. He smiled for the first time that day. Then he said with a kind voice, "I am proud of you for being honest. Honesty will always pay."

Father quickly took the coin and showed it to the manager, and told him the story. Dad got his job back now and guess what I got? Nelli of course.

Honour certificate to Sylvia Pau of 25, Canal Road West, Hong Kong.

A BIRD



Honour certificate to Alice Rodrigues of Argyle Camp 2, Kowloon.

Childhood Memories

As I lie thinking here alone in bed, Fond memories come drifting back to me; A quiet, peaceful country life instead.

Of this great bustling, bustling, smoky town; Kind friends who all are now so far away.

From me. Memories of my childhood days, When I used to visit the park and play.

On swings and slides, But now I'm growing up, And though all the past is slipping fast away,

Those thoughts are always coming back to me. When I am old, my hair is silvery grey,

I'll watch the youngsters fondly play at games, At which I used to play myself when young; Those memories always will fly back to me.

Honour certificate to Ruby Scott of c/o Water Office, 1st fl., St. George's Building.

World Spotlight

British Guiana, situated just North of the Equator on the South American continent, may strike you as being a hot, torrid country.

But I have just returned from a trip into the interior and sleeping in a native hut at Orinduik, only three degrees from the equator, I felt as cold as if I were wintering in Manchuria.

At Orinduik, which is 2,000 feet above sea-level, I slept in pyjamas, a thick-towelled bathrobe, and put on three blankets and was still cold.

Orinduik is surrounded by magnificent mountains, and in the River Ireng, Brazilian and Guianese diamond seekers wear diving-helmets to search for the precious stones. In a few short months two big camps have sprung up and hundreds of carats of diamonds are being found.

Boys who are not exactly brilliant at school may be comforted by this true story.

A motorist, on his way to the small Swiss town of Aarburg, had engine trouble just outside his destination. A lad of 12, loitering nearby, willingly came to his aid, and proved so killed and intelligent that the car was soon put back in order.

How was it that the boy was not at school on a week-day, the elderly motorist kindly asked. "Well," replied the boy, "our school is today expecting a school inspector's visit. As I am the stupidest boy in the school, the teacher sent me away so that the inspector would not see me."

The motorist, after thanking the boy with a cordial hand-shake, drove on thoughtfully. He was—the awaited school inspector.

"I missed you on the ice today." "Did you hit everyone else?"

Mother: Willie, the canary is gone.

Willie: But, Mummy, it was there just now when I was trying to clean its cage with the vacuum cleaner.

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Stop Blushing About The Empire!

By GRAHAM STANDFORD

All Britain talks today of one of its smaller Colonies—the lost but lovely Leeward Isles in the sugar-producing West Indies.

And top news personality of the work is the governor of this Colony, the irrepressible Earl Baldwin of Bewdley — "Oliver" to his many friends—who came home to be "carpeted" by his old friend Mr. Creech Jones, the Colonial Secretary.

Until recently only one man in every 100 knew that the Leeward Isles were in the West Indies and that they did belong to Britain.

Coloured People

And maybe even fewer were aware that Earl Baldwin of Bewdley had spent the past year governing this Colony with an area of 422 square miles and a population of 109,000 coloured people.

When the Colonial Office investigators recently asked 2,000 adult British citizens to mention any British Colony no one named the Leewards. Only one in every two could name a Colony at all, and one in four knew the difference between a Dominion and a Colony.

They mentioned all sorts of places—Lincolnshire, Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland—as typical British Colonies. But Nigeria, with its 20,000,000; the Leewards, with their 100,000 toiling sugar workers—"Never heard of them," the people said.

Until Lord Baldwin talked of "my friends the blacks" 38 per cent. of people actually believed that most of people in our Colonies were white.

They had no idea that the vast majority of the Colonial Empire's 62,000,000 population varied in colour from the "off white" Gibraltarian to the coal-black African of the Gold Coast.

The Colonial Office confessed to being shocked at the ignorance their survey revealed, and there were "something must be done" conferences at a Cabinet level.

Today the Colonial Office is working on an 11-point plan to teach Britain about the Empire "over which the sun never sets." So far the Impish Lord Baldwin has stolen most of its thunder. He and his Leeward Isles have rated more space in the world's newspapers than any Colonial story for years.

Of All Races

The budget for the "Know Your Empire" campaign is not yet known, but many thousands of pounds are to be spent telling the people Britain has a Colonial Empire which covers 3,000,000 square miles, is populated by 62,000,000 of all races, colours, and creeds, and produces vast quantities of food and raw material.

For only one in three people can name any Colonial-produced food or raw material. This despite the fact

Mutual Assistance

A new enterprise has been started on the outskirts of London, and Colin Willis spoke about it in a recent BBC broadcast and said that at Headstone Lane, an Essex suburb, residents on a housing estate founded by the London County Council have formed a co-operative society for mutual help.

Their aim is to supply as much as possible of their household food needs from their own bits of land. One man will grow potatoes and exchange them for someone else's plums and apples; another will raise greenhouse tomatoes and swap them for eggs. They have a mass purchase scheme for seeds, plants and rabbit and poultry food. And they exchange not only goods, but labour. While the cobbler is mending the shoes of the carpenter's family, the carpenter is building the cobbler's chicken-house. And so far, this little Utopian project, on the fringe of London seems to be working very well.

that West Africa supplies the bulk of the world's cocoa and that Britain is now spending roughly £25,000,000 producing groundnuts in East Africa.

So the new "Know Your Commonwealth" campaign begins with the schools, which are to be flooded with publicity material and with simple colourful films that will tell the exciting Empire story in a way that children will understand.

The Colonial Office well knows that for years some school masters and mistresses have shunned Empire talks.

Some have almost blushed at the sight of a piece of "red" on the map.

Puzzled Africans

This new campaign means that they are being invited to think again; to take a more realistic view of the future of the British Commonwealth.

Delegates to the big African conference at the end of last year complained that the average British person was completely ignorant of the

African way of life and that as a result it was very difficult to hold any reasonable conversation on mutual affairs.

"Your people are very kind," one cultured African chief told me. "But why do they still regard us as funny black men carrying comic umbrellas?"

The "Know Your Empire" movement will extend to the factories and workshops of the great industrial areas.

Mobile film units will tour the country with popular Empire shows, and employers will be asked to display Empire publicity material.

All Empire-builders home on leave are to be asked to volunteer to give lectures, and more than 100 have already agreed to do so. They will give down-to-earth "on the-spot" talks in schools, factories, and, if necessary, on Britain's street corners.

Approaches have also been made to the BBC to include more Empire material in the Home Programme, and the campaign leaders are seeking the help of Britain's film kings.

PARIS SEES LIFE ROSY--OR RED

By WALTER FARR

Paris, Friday. "HOW Rosy is Life" is the latest song-hit of the young folk of Paris as they stroll along the boulevards. But the old people see little but the unhealthy rosi-ness of Communism.

Somehow no fresh start can be made in the struggle to stem the insidious Red disease, which this week has claimed an important victim.

M. Andre Marie, the Minister of Justice, was a pillar of the Moderates. A few days ago he was still the hero of Buchenwald and the most trusted member of the Cabinet. Today he is out of office.

The Communists illegally procured a letter which suggested Marie was a protector of collaborators. They published it and he resigned.

Another focal point for the Red poison is the Khavchenko trial. People are shocked at Russia's all-out attempt to smear one little man and one long book.

A middle-aged French woman with a drawn face, who had stood for hours gazing at the Russian witnesses, said to me: "Monsieur, these men from Moscow give me the creeps."

Then there is the latest menace from the massive CGT, which is threatening another paralysing general strike. The body politic of France will not stand much more of the Red disease. It is not healthy in itself. Political scandals are rife. The latest concerned an actress, a high official, and a racketeer.

It all ended happily. The racketeer got protection from the politician, the actress got a leading part from the racketeer, and the politician got what he wanted.

This rottenness in high places weakens resistance to the Red disease. It makes France more ill than ever. It makes her consider the man who swears he is the only doctor—General de Gaulle.

But the "doctor's" bedside manner is not soothing. "If you don't drink my medicine soon I shall force it down your throat," is the sum of his latest remarks.

"Force"—the word has a dirge-like ring for Frenchmen. It means civil war.

Young Defiance

BUT along the boulevards, with spring round the corner, the young people with linked arms hum "How Rosy is

Life," and they do their defiant best to make it a fact.

A handkerchief popular with some of the girls is inscribed—

Oh please do not kiss me.
Oh please do not kiss
Oh please do not
Oh please do
Oh!

The latest indoor game is simple. A girl grips a coin between her nose and upper lip—a man must take it away—without his nose and upper lip. It's a great ice-breaker for parties.

One hotelier paints a rosy picture for the English tourist who likes his food, but he tells a tale to warn grumblers:

An Englishman, he says, once complained to him that the rabbit he was eating tasted like old cat. The hotelier said he found himself covered with regret.

There was a delay before a new dish could be brought.

"Is it better this time?" inquired the hotelier.

"Yes—it's good this time," said the perceptive Briton.

The hotelier then explained: "Because this time it is old cat."

Creeping Back

PARIS vice-clubs, which were closed down by the Government three years ago, are creeping back again in the form of the clandestine night-club which keeps changing its address to avoid the police.

At the latest the proprietor says that, as a "gesture" to British tourists, he is creating an annex in which bacon and eggs can be served "any time, day or night, in any quantity" by scantily dressed dancing girls.

Look in at the Grenouille (sometimes known as the Froggy), the most fantastic restaurant in Paris. In the rosy darkness there people seem care-free.

Roger, the owner, a man with untidy hair, dressed in a pair of tattered old trousers, tattered shirt, and with no collar or jacket or waistcoat, throws his arms round the more attractive woman customers (without asking their out or non) and kisses them full on the lips.

Then he hands them a tiny metal frog. He has made a fortune. The society women of Paris fight for his kisses.

The restaurant itself is not much bigger than a large submarine. The bill of fare is chalked up on a black-board at one end of the narrow room. People sitting far away are lent field-glasses to choose their dinners.

Listening-Post

English-language programmes and news from the BBC in London can be heard in Hong Kong on the following stations:—
(All times are Hong Kong Standard Time)

BBC LONDON	
(GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE)	
4.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	16.64 metres
6.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
9.00 p.m. to 10.15 p.m.	18.84 metres
10.15 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
11.00 p.m. to 1.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
4.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
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News Bulletins are broadcast at 9.00 a.m., 11.00 a.m., 12.15 p.m. (dictation speed), 2.00 p.m., 3.00 p.m., 4.00 p.m., 5.00 p.m., 7.00 p.m., 11.00 p.m., 12.00 p.m., on the wavelengths indicated above.
Relays of news broadcasts from the BBC in London, as well as other English-language programmes, can be heard by listeners over the following stations:—

RADIO RAC CEYLON	
19.84 metres	49.28 metres
21.81 metres	68.8 metres
16.56 metres	

News relays may be heard at the following times: 7.00 p.m. and 12.00 p.m. from Monday to Friday and also at 9.00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday on the wavelengths indicated above.

RADIO SINGAPORE	
44.31 metres	25.677 metres
19.98 metres	19.61 metres

CREATIVE STATESMAN

Joseph Chamberlain, a great Englishman, is the subject of a talk this week by the Rt. Hon. L. S. Amery, who once knew him and followed his leadership. This talk, which will be heard in the General Overseas Service on Wednesday at 7.45 p.m. is one of the BBC series 'Famous Men.'

CELEBRITY RECITAL

In this week's BBC Celebrity recital in the General Overseas Service on Friday at 5.30 p.m. Jan Smelterin will be playing Chopin studies. The famous Polish pianist is a well-known champion of the modern school, but he is also one of the most brilliant interpreters of the classics. His interpretations of Chopin particularly have been widely applauded by music-lovers.

Smelterin was not originally intended for a musical career. When he entered Vienna University to study Roman and ecclesiastical law, he was embarking on a legal career. Later, however, he turned to music and won a scholarship at the Vienna Meister-schule, where he devoted himself to the piano and conducting. Today he is an outstanding figure in musical circles in the capital of Europe and in the United States.

POPULAR PREACHER

The Rev. Donald Soper, who conducts 'Time for Worship' this Sunday from a BBC studio, visited Australia and Ceylon some months ago at the request of the Methodist churches. During his visit he addressed large public meetings, many of them in Town Halls, on the subject of the 'social application' of Christianity. In every case the halls were filled to capacity and people were turned away. In Ceylon he addressed the Young Men's Buddhist Association, which is the Buddhist equivalent of the YMCA. (General Overseas: Sunday, 2.15 p.m.)

Sunday, March 6

General Overseas Service

9.15 'DANCING THROUGH'—played by Gerald and his Concert Orchestra.
11.15 MAJESTIC ORCHESTRA—Conducted by Lou Wilesen Alfred Merlin (piano).
P.M.
12.30 MUSIC FROM GRAND HOTEL—Palm Court Orchestra Directed by Tom Jenkins Frederick Harvey (baritone).

B.B.C. Highlights

2.10 THE RADIO DOCTOR.
2.15 TIME FOR WORSHIP—from a London studio, conducted by the Rev. Dr. Donald O. Soper. Hymns sung by the BBC Singers.
4.00 THE NATURALIST—Domestication—Brian Vesey-FitzGerald introduces Professor V. C. Wynne-Edwards and Maxwell Knight.
4.30 SUNDAY SERVICE—from St. Paul's Cathedral, London.
5.00 LISTENERS' CHOICE.
8.15 'TAKE IT FROM HERE'—Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley, Jimmy Edwards, Wallis Eaton, Alan Dean, The Keynotes, BBC Revue Orchestra, conductor, Frank Cantell.
8.45 COLONIAL QUESTIONS.
9.15 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
9.15 'SWEET SERENADE'—Peter Yorke and his Concert Orchestra, with Carole Carr and Steve Conway.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 'CONCERTO' Grieg's—Piano Concerto in A minor played by Lance Dossor and the BBC Scottish Orchestra, conductor, Ian Whyte. Programme also includes Grieg's Norwegian Dances.
11.45 'CHURCHMEN IN PROFILE'—A series of biographical talks on leaders of British Church life during the past hundred years 'Dr. Elvet Lewis,' by the Rev. William Evans (Wil Ifan), Archdeacon of Wales.

Monday, March 7

Eastern Service.

P.M.
10.30 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME 'Horace'—A talk by A. P. Ryan.
A.M.
General Overseas Service.

10.00 LONDON FORUM.
10.30 Joyce Grenfell and George Benson in 'A NOTE WITH MUSIC'—with Nat Temple and his Orchestra. A weekly programme in the shape of a letter to a friend overseas.
12.30 BRITISH FILM MUSIC—BBC Theatre Orchestra Conductor: Walter Goehr Winifred Davey (piano).
Oliver Twist Easdale
The Red Shoes Walton
Henry V Walton

4.00 'THE SMALL HOUSE AT AL-LINGTON'—by Anthony Trollope. Adapted for broadcasting by H. Oldfield Box, Episode 6.
4.30 'HAVE A GO!' (All-Children's Edition) The Quiz visits the Secondary Modern Schools of Castelford, Yorks.

5.00 'UNTO THEIR PORTS WITH-OUT PERIL'—An account of the work of one of the oldest guilds of master mariners in the world, the Corporation of Trinity House, London. Script by Martin Chisholm. Produced by Maurice Brown, with the co-operation of the Elder Brethren, pilots, officers, and men of the Trinity House Service, and the BBC London Mobile Recording Unit.
8.15 BANDS WITHIN BANDS—Tito Burns and his Quartet, from Tito Burns Group.
9.15 SOUTH AFRICA v. ENGLAND THE FIFTH CRICKET TEST MATCH—A commentary by John Arlott on the second day's play at Port Elizabeth.
9.45 'SERENADE FOR TWO'—Dick James and Bette Roberts Augmented BBC Revue Orchestra Conductor: Frank Cantell.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 Eric Barker in 'WATERLOGGED SPA'.
10.45 WELSH MAGAZINE.
11.15 Joyce Grenfell and George Benson in 'A NOTE WITH MUSIC'—with Nat Temple and his Orchestra. A weekly programme in the shape of a letter to a friend overseas.

11.45 'COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE'.
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10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
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Wednesday, March 9

Eastern Service.

P.M.
10.30 THE BRAINS TRUST—Resident Team: Compton Mackenzie, F. C. Hooper, and Mrs. M. A. Hamilton. Question-Master: Gilbert Harding.
General Overseas Service
A.M.
9.30 'MUCH-BINDING-IN-THE-MARSH'.
10.00 THE STORYTELLER—A Dangerous Gift, written and read by Algernon Blackwood.
11.15 'TWENTY QUESTIONS'—Anona Winn, Daphne Padel, Jack Train, and Richard Dimbleby, who ask all the questions; and Stewart MacPherson who knows (almost) all the answers.
1.45 SOUTH AFRICA v. ENGLAND—An eye-witness account.
5.00 'CONCERTO'—A series of weekly programmes Tchaikovsky's Concert Fantasy for Piano and Orchestra played by Franz Reizenstein and the BBC Scottish Orchestra, conductor, Ian Whyte. Programme also includes Weber's Overture, Euryanthe and Dvorak's Symphonic Variations.
7.15 BBC WELSH ORCHESTRA—Conducted by Arwel Hughes Gwilym Phillips (baritone).
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9.45 MONTMARTRE PLAYERS.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
11.45 BALANCE OF EUROPE—A weekly commentary by Andrew Shonfield, on the Recovery Programme.
Thursday, March 10

General Overseas Service

A.M.
11.45 'THIRTY YEARS OF BRITISH JAZZ'—Presented by Hector Stewart.
P.M.
1.45 SOUTH AFRICA v. ENGLAND—An eye-witness account.
4.00 IN BRITAIN NOW—A National Magazine.
4.30 'TIP-TOP TUNES'.
6.00 SCIENCE AND EVERYDAY LIFE—Enlight to what purpose? The

How To Keep Your Hair On

Probably more misconceptions are in general circulation about hair than about any other part of the body. Here are some hard facts about your hair, produced by two leading scientists:

Wearing a hat does not cause baldness. On the contrary, going without a hat, exposing your hair to excessive sun and rain, is damaging to it.

Cutting your hair makes no difference to its growth. But because short hair makes it easier to keep the scalp in a hygienic condition, men who have a weekly hair-cut and wash keep their hair longer than others.

Shaving does not cause the hair on the face, or anywhere else, to grow more profusely, or stronger, or coarser; this applies to women as well as men.

Hair grows about half an inch a month. It is very elastic, and will stretch to one-sixth of its length. It is strong. A normal hair will support a weight of a quarter of a pound.

Fair-headed people have twice as many hairs on their head as red-heads. Brunettes come in between.

Men's beards are coarsest and most profuse at the age of 25.

Hair has no nerves, blood vessels, or canals. This is an important point. This being the case, hair cannot "bleed" when cut.

Singeing is extremely damaging to the hair; the hair shaft dries beyond the singed end, causing splitting and breakage. Hair after singeing takes about three months to recover.

No hair is absolutely black, not even a Negro's.

After four or five years old hair is renewed. Each successive growth is slightly finer than its predecessor. That is why old people's hair is fine and silky.

Most vital thing about hair is that no hair can grow properly without a good blood supply; any condition affecting the blood—health, nerves, etc.—also affects the hair.

Hair grows faster in hot weather because the blood is moving closer to the surface to cool itself, thus supplying more to the hair roots.

Baldness itself is not hereditary, but the health conditions which cause it may be.

Despite all stories to the contrary, hair cannot turn white in a night.

There is no known drug which will promote the growth of hair. Hair lotions merely provide the means to keep the scalp itself clean and healthy.

Strenuous brushing of the hair is not good, particularly if the hair is in a condition where it is splitting or breaking. Brushing should be carried out with a soft brush, merely for the purpose of smoothing the hair into position.

The best tonic for the hair is—GOOD HEALTH.

—JOHN BINGHAM

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New Books

One Rake's Progress

By Peter Quennell

Four guineas is a sizeable sum—particularly when it is asked for a quartet of modest blue-clad volumes which, although adequately bound and printed, could scarcely be described as a masterpiece of modern book-making.

But it is not an excessive price, at least in my opinion, for the extraordinary privilege of meeting Mr. William Hickey—with his laced hat over his ear, his watch stolen and his pocket picked, one silver spur torn off during a scuffle in a thieves' kitchen; Hickey, rake, adventurer and nabob; Hickey, the repentant bad penny perpetually turning up again on his father's London doorstep; Hickey, the author, who since his autobiography began to appear in 1913 has taken his place among the most fascinating memoir-writers of his own or any other period.

Incidentally, no reader who is concerned with the history of the rise and fall of British power in India should neglect the side-lights he throws on British administration in the time of Clive and Warren Hastings when, long before the arrival of the sober living, incorruptible Indian Civil Servant, soldiers of fortune, rich speculators, and extravagant younger sons enjoyed a golden heyday.

These side-lights he throws in spite of himself; for Hickey was by disposition neither a reformer nor a moralist, but the scapegrace offspring of a rich and worthy family who at a very early age had cut through parental apron-strings and had plunged head over heels into the joys of London low life.

He loved wine, beautiful women, cricket, and tennis, and rowing on the Thames, exquisite food, and fine clothes—the last with so immoderate a passion that he once brought home with him from Bengal no fewer than twenty scarlet, gold-laced coats.

He was brave and dissipated; he was also dishonest, and on several occasions appropriated large sums of money belonging to his father, who, because he too had been a rake in his youth, after groaning and protesting, generally forgave his son but, when his behaviour grew utterly intolerable, would ship him to the Far East.

Such were his early years; and, though the Memoirs of William Hickey (which start with his birth in 1749, and cover a period of almost half a century) remain remarkably readable so long as the writer, then an elderly man living at Beaconsfield, continued to compile his record, the earlier sections of the autobiography are much the best and liveliest. They glitter with animation and glow with brilliant colours.

For a young man who had money to burn, and sufficient vitality to sit up all night drinking, and spend the next playing cricket or tennis in the pleasant fields near Battersea, London, in the reign of George III, must have been a Paradise—a somewhat Mahomedan Paradise, one must admit, especially round Covent Garden, where Hickey, an indefatigable lover, was entertained by a lengthy succession of dazzling female favourites.

As a self-portrait, it is true, Hickey's memoirs do not compare with the works of Pepys and Boswell. He had none of their gift of looking deep beneath the surface; he took comparatively little interest in the mysteries of human character; but his description of the surface of life, as he knew it, has rarely been improved on.

The price of the present reprint may put it beyond the reach of hard-up modern readers. But this unconventional English classic (which, in addition to its historical importance, has the gusto and excitement of half a dozen cloak-and-sword romances) should certainly be acquired by every well-run public library.

The Land Of No Income Tax

By WALTER HAYES

On the island where they pay no income-tax the scarlet poinsettia bushes are blooming. The intimate white beaches are crowded with swimmers and sun-bathers. The sea temperature is 73 degrees. Here it is June in January.

And the sun is earning the islanders more than six million dollars every year. On the maps they call the island Bermuda.

It is Britain's oldest self-governing colony—smaller than the Isle of Wight, but more crowded. In summer than Hampstead Heath on a Bank Holiday.

And just now Bermuda is getting ready for its biggest-ever tourist season, and for the thousands of dollars it will contribute in 1949 to the Empire's dollar pool.

Catching The Dollars

Next month for the first time since the outbreak of war the Furness Withy's Queen of Bermuda will make the trip to Bermuda crowded with 700 dollar-paying American tourists.

With the island only 35 hours away by sea from America the "Queen" will make 48 trips this year, earning an expected total of four million dollars.

To catch the dollar market—95 per cent. of Bermuda's tourists are American—Billy Butlin has bought the Princess Hotel in Hamilton, Bermuda. It will be opened in time for the arrival of the "Queen."

Bermuda lives on its tourists, and more than 40,000 holiday-makers this year will visit an island which is only 10 square miles in area and stretches like a crescent moon through the bluest seas in the world.

Its customs take some getting used to. The island speed limit is 20 m.p.h. and you can get three months' imprisonment for breaking it. A few years ago there were no cars. Now there are 350 taxis alone and nearly 3,000 motorcycles—these all British.

Britain's Shop Window

To Britain Bermuda's greatest asset is that it is an incomparable shop window for our goods. English woollens, English clothes are on display in all shops and a new and vast American tourist public every year is introduced to British craftsmanship.

Among the permanent Bermudian population of 35,000 there are many are British—by birth, or adoption. Arthur Woodman, one of the best-known hoteliers on the island, came from Southampton. The Mid-Ocean golf club's professional is Archie Compston. The BBC's Gerry Wilford is in charge of the Bermudian Broadcasting Company.

English tourists, too, make Bermuda a holiday spot. BSAA Tudors are bringing hundreds of Britons in every year.

Introducing The Radar Doctor

Radar is coming to your bedside. Doctors may soon be able to diagnose and prevent disease with a revolutionary machine now being developed.

Experiments are being carried out by a group of medical men, physicists, radar and electronic experts, who have formed the Psycho-somatic Association, with the object of developing this new technique.

Their work is based on the fact that all living tissue—plant, animal or human—has an electro-magnetic field, continually radiating electric waves.

It has now been discovered that these fields vary in sickness and health, and can, in fact, be altered by the thoughts of individuals.

Quick Diagnosis

By tuning in to these waves with a specially built machine designed on a principle similar to that of the war-time radar detector, it may be possible to discover within a few seconds whether a person is physically or mentally sick.

In his tiny Kensington, London, office, the chairman of the group, a doctor of physics, told me: "We started to build a detector using a television cathode tube. This failed, and we had to continue experimenting with other methods."

"Pure rock crystal is the most sensitive medium for picking up these waves, but we had to test many varieties before we found the right one."

"Eventually, after months of hard work, we succeeded in selecting the waves and amplifying them 11,000,000 times on an oscilloscope."

"The waves are so tiny that without this tremendous amplification they would not have been visible on the screen of the oscilloscope."

Had To Sell Car

"Although our experiments are as yet in their early stages, the possibilities are terrific. We may be able to tune in to any wave from any living tissue."

"The detector could act as a second opinion for a doctor in diagnosing almost all known diseases. It could be put to all manner of medical, scientific and commercial uses."

"One of the doctors concerned in the experiments has had to sell his car to buy equipment for the detector."

He told me: "These experiments are in the nature of a mission. We have received no financial support from any of the authorities, and have paid all expenses out of our own pockets."

Geoffrey Winnington

B.B.C. Highlights

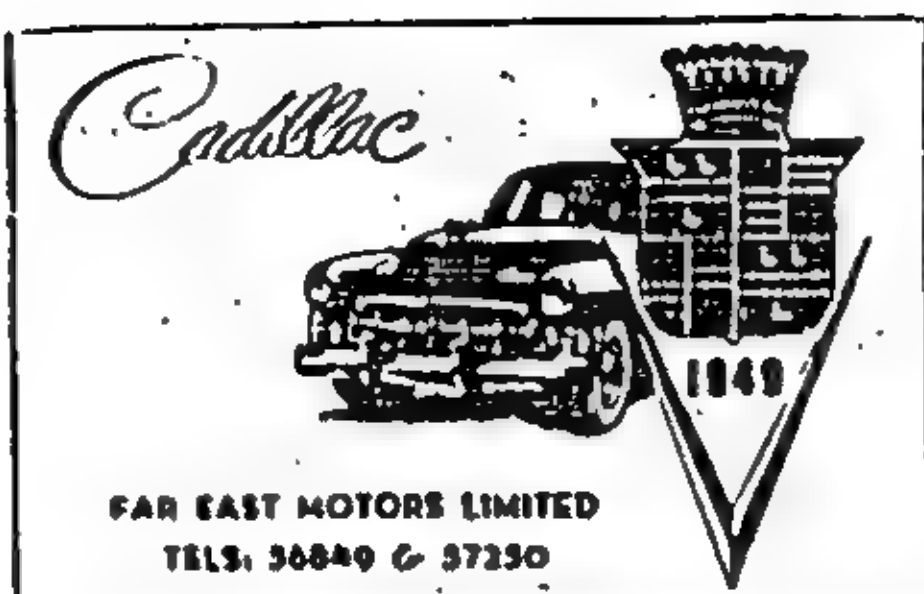
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11.45 WORLD AFFAIRS—A survey by Gerald Barry.

Saturday, March 12

General Overseas Service

A.M.
9.30 'WATERLOGGED SPA'
P.M.
12.30 LISTENERS' CHOICE.
3.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
4.30 'TWENTY QUESTIONS'
5.00 'LET'S MAKE MUSIC'
6.30 'MASTERS OF DESIGN' 'Beethoven'—An illustrated talk by James Gibb.
8.15 THE MAJESTIC ORCHESTRA—Conducted by Lou Whiteman. James Moody (piano).
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 SATURDAY SPORT—including commentaries on Rugby Union—Wales v. Ireland, at Swansea; commentators, Rex Alston and G. V. Wynne-Jones; Association Football: Wolverhampton Wanderers v. Newcastle United.



Lane Norcott

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(or Smiles' Self-help)

When other men, junior to yourself, are constantly being promoted to highly paid positions of trust, are YOU the one who is always overlooked? If so, there must be a reason. Maybe you don't talk proper.

For instance, do you say "Was you?" when what you actually mean is "Am I not?" or "I and my girl" when more sophisticated people than yourself would say "I and my girl?"

Or maybe you are unable to master the correct use of "which" and "that" and "what."

All too frequently do we hear an otherwise cultured person say some such sentence as this: "Which horse did that lady which we met last night in that dump that you took me to advise us that we should back and with what?"

Clearly the final "what" is redundant, and the speaker should either drastically rephrase the sentence or, better still, change the subject.

For example (for example), he might say "Pardon?" or, if that seems to offend him, then simply "What, say?" or even "For why?"

(NEXT WEEK: How To Tell Pictures From Statues: by a Barrister Who Loves Beautiful Things.)

Loyé conquers all

A photograph of ourself, taken many years ago in the Cromwell-road by the celebrated painter Landseer, which appeared on (or, more pedantically, in) this page last December, has induced a reader in Australia, of all places, to write to us, asking if we belong to the white races and what is our view of euthanasia.

Fortunately—that is, fortunately for us—our view of euthanasia can be stated very briefly. We think it is a charming name for a girl. So is Ammonia, Polygamy, Dementia, and—for a female bureaucrat—Margarine.

In conclusion may we take this opportunity to appeal to readers NOT to send us parcels of margarine to taste.

Science Marches—On!

"Medical opinion now considers that newly born babies should be with their mothers."—A Doctor lifts the veil.

Our own Medical Correspondent, Calliban, who is admitted by Reuters to be the shrewdest child psychologist in Fleet-street, writes:

There is much to be said in favour of that novel theory. Many fearless thinkers in the medical world now believe that the newly born child, being closely related to its mother, must have some affinity with her.

Furthermore, strange as it may seem to the layman, the converse is also thought to be highly probable by many well-informed experts who have seriously considered the matter—that the mother, being closely related to her newly born child, must have some affinity with it, although she may not be feeling very well at the time.

It has also been observed (adds Calliban) that newly born babies, finding themselves helpless and hungry in a cold world populated with innumerable peering faces, the majority of which look as if they have fallen off a cathedral, are apt to feel safer with the face they know than the face they don't—a fact which anyone can prove for himself by just looking at a baby and giving it convulsions.

In conclusion (yawns Calliban, taking a great heartening swig at his medicine and feeling all the better for it) it is as clear today as ever it was that newly born babies should be with their mothers. What is more that goes for most scientists too.

SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 1949.

Over to You

NEWS QUIZ

1. The first ship from Communist North China arrived in Hong Kong during the week. Name, and nationality?
2. Winston Churchill this week had the unusual experience (for him) of being heckled by a crowd. Where was he and what was Winston doing there?
3. What South China river port has been thrown open to foreign shipping?
4. Another of Stalin's airmen has deserted. Where did this happen?
5. A Chinese cruiser the Chungking, has deserted to the Reds. What was she formerly?
6. And now for a sports question. What visiting Rugby team defeated the Hong Kong XV last week?

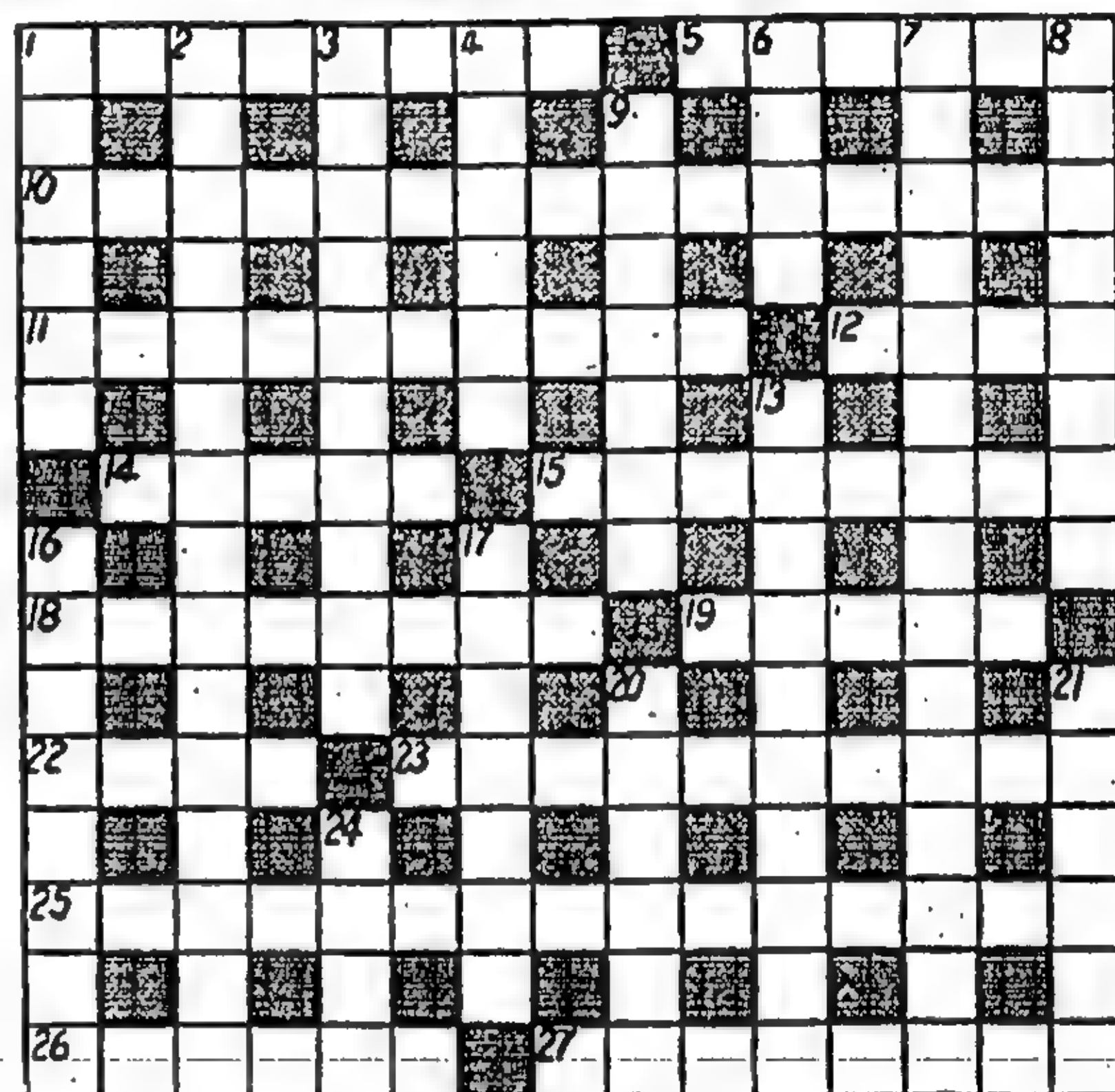
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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. Who was it who spoke three thousand proverbs and whose songs were a thousand and five?
2. The air bites shrewdly; it is very cold, said one character in a Shakespeare play, and was answered—It is a nipping and an eager air. Who were the characters and what play was it?
3. What are hall marks?
4. The Cinque Ports, as their name implies, were originally five in number. Today there are seven. Which are they?
5. The Cinque Ports have a Lord Warden—an honorary position. Who is the present Lord Warden?
6. You have all heard of the Federation of British Industries. This employers' association was formerly two separate bodies. What were they?

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Across

- 1 For him it is nothing to succeed. (8)
- 5 Its opening words are a play by G.B.S. (6)
- 10 A shabby preference for old clothes? (3, 5, 3, 4)
- 11 It is, of course, without form when void. (10)
- 12 This crop is very short. (4)
- 14 It ends, maybe, with some bounce. (5)
- 15 A 12 pair is here poisonous. (8)
- 18 Were they formerly quite enough? (11)
- 19 Mendelssohn was first. (5)
- 22 14 out twice. (4)
- 23 Not the waiter in the dining car (10)
- 25 He is not paid to excel. (7, 8)
- 26 Disturbance resulting from a sweep. (4, 2)
- 27 For him, perhaps, pride goes before a fall. (8)

Down

- 1 Sat and dance about; it's all up. (6)
- 2 Completely like an outsized hat. (4, 4, 3, 4)
- 3 This used to take records. (10)
- 4 Arrange again where to go. (6)
- 6 What a bore it might be. (4)
- 7 Current expense account, passed recently. (11, 4)
- 8 Add green when mad. (8)
- 9 Since news get about. (7)
- 13 Let down the members; they are of standing value. (5, 5)
- 16 Late employee, who takes French form in law. (4, 4)
- 17 They might bring a meal to a rotten end. (7)
- 20 He is an artist, and other things to her. (6)
- 21 His or her work may be decreasing. (6)
- 24 One end to a survey of mankind. (4)

"SCIENCE OUTPOST"

The Manchester Guardian this week reviews "Science Outpost" by Dr. Joseph Needham who worked during part of the war as Science Liaison Officer at the British Embassy at Chungking.

The Manchester Guardian writes, "He and his wife, who is also a scientist, have now produced a singular and important book. 'Science Outpost' is a scrap book of reports by his office in Chungking, poems by himself and his Chinese friends and the New

Zealandor Rowi Ally, letters and diaries of both authors, translations, papers on Chinese science reprinted from 'Nature' and even a speech on scientific method by Chiang Kai-shek.

"It contains something for almost everybody who is interested in China in any aspect. There is an inventory of all that Chinese scientists were doing during the war. A student in two or three hundred years' time, lighting on this book, would find it a mine of out-of-the-war information



BRIDGE

An early overcall at a low level is a paying proposition, while a late overcall at a high level (three or more) is a losing one. The low level overcall is fairly safe and has an inhibitive effect (mostly in shutting out adverse No-trump contracts) while the high-level overcall invites disastrous penalties. Here is an example of an inhibitive overcall, at the rather risky level of two on a weak hand. West's.

S Q
H K x
D Q x
C 10 8 x x

S 8 x x
H Q J 9 8 x x
D x x
C K J

N
W
E
S
S J 7 x x
H 10 x
D A K x x
C Q x x

S A K 10 9 x
H A x x
D 9 x
C A 9 x

East, the dealer, passed at the score game all and South bid One Spade. Should West now risk an overcall of Two Hearts on his weak hand? His partner had already passed. He could not, therefore, count on the expectancy of two tricks from him. Actually, West did bid Two Hearts in some cases and shut out an eventual game contract in No-trumps as neither opponent had a double guard in Hearts, South bid Two Spades and just made this contract.

The play in a contract of three No-trumps at two tables was routine after the first round of Hearts had been passed. If West does not make a bid, then normal bidding proceeds: South, One Spade; North, Two Diamonds; South, Two Spades; North, Two No-trumps; South, Three No-trumps. Nine tricks were made in this contract.

The level of one is a safe level for an overcall on such a weak hand as West's but the level of two is too risky for a bid on such a hand. Nevertheless, inhibitive overcalls on weak hands with a strong distribution have their value, and many players find them a paying proposition.

Christian Universities

The Rev. B.E. Slater, who recently returned to Britain from a tour of China, last week appealed to a London audience to contribute more than ever to the support of the great Christian universities in China.

Mr. Slater reminded the audience that the 14 great Christian universities of China were pioneers of higher education in China; that they have a record of which they are rightly proud; that they have trained a very large number of great and influential leaders in all walks of life and that their curricula cover much the same subjects as are dealt with by British universities.

about China in its Kuomintang period."

Describing Dr. Joseph Needham as both a "scientist and humanist", the Manchester Guardian concludes its review of the book by saying, "A scientist of three centuries ago, Bernier produced a travel book which has been ever since one of the main sources of books on the Moghul Empire in India. Dr. Needham should emulate him further and continue his travels in China."

RED THREAT TO U.S. BACK DOOR

By RICHARD HUGHES

In one paralyzing blow, the Soviet, from its existing interlocked system of North-East Siberian air bases, could easily seize and occupy the three key U.S. Alaskan air bases in one day.

That is the considered opinion of anxious American Air Force strategists in Tokyo, who have for three years been piecing together reports by Japanese prisoners-of-war repatriated from slave labour in Siberia.

Patiently checked and counter-checked, these fragmentary reports have been assembled and added to the mass of other information, acquired through routine Army intelligence, to give a blurred but alarming picture of what is happening behind the Siberian "Iron Curtain."

From Southern Russia, through desolate valleys, across frozen steppes, and over glaciers and mountains to the Arctic Ocean, Russia is making Siberia a training ground for its army, and a base for its development and military might.

Full Speed Ahead

The grim, gigantic task of building airfields, roads and factories on ground frozen 20 feet deep was begun 12 years ago, but was delayed by the war. Now, however, the task is being pressed by its conclusion with character to estimate the total armed

strength of Soviet forces in Siberia. In each of the three regions the main show of Soviet might is in the planes and airborne divisions held there.

In the 1,000-mile Bering Strait to Lena River zone there are between 100 and 200 aircraft.

What is behind Stalin's military moves in Siberia? What are the strength and possible objectives of the Russian forces on the roof of the world?

Disturbing answers to those vital questions reached us last night from two of our special correspondents.

Worst Danger

The military strength which worries the Americans most, however, lies in North Manchuria,

turn Siberia into an Arctic war arsenal.

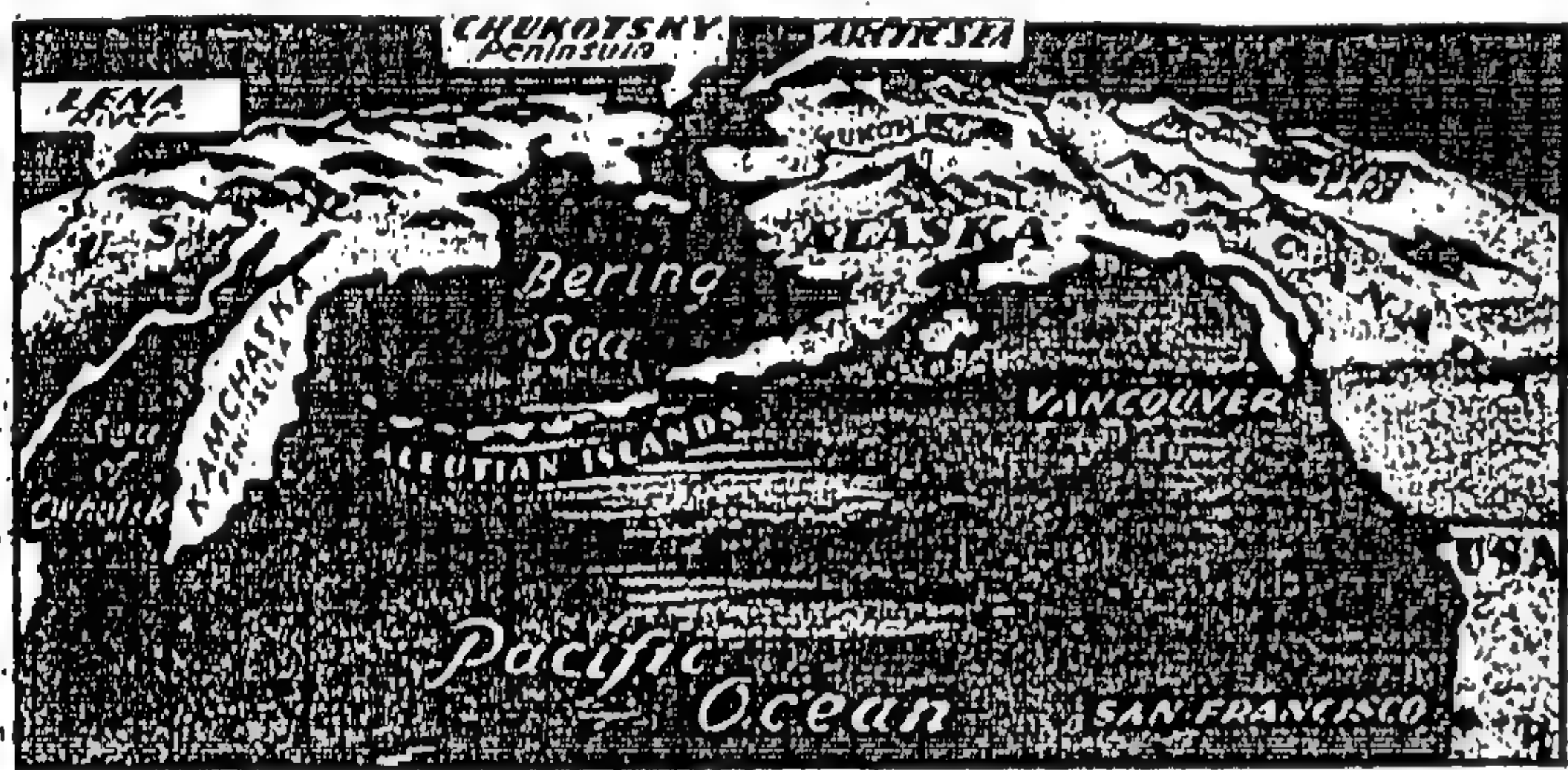
Scores of gigantic runways, specially constructed to make clearance easy even in the worst weather, in every few hundred miles of the three zones. Spaced between these airfields are white-painted, camouflaged buildings turning out bombers and jet fighters at the rate of 200 a month.

In North Siberia at least four airfields have been built to accommodate the Soviet copy of the Superfortress, the Tupolev TU-70. Also built at these airfields are the new hush-hush Soviet super-bombers, reported to have a range exceeding 6,000 miles.

Submarine and air bases, key industrial, communication and military centres, the giant underground airfield at Iman—everywhere observers agree that, on the evidence available, the Soviet war machine is speeding up.

If there were any doubt of this they would point to the sudden jump of three or four millions in the population of the Siberian wastes—the population needed to maintain the grim arsenal.

Finally comes the sombre warning of the Red triumph in North China and Manchuria. Only too clearly can it be seen that the tremendous task of supplying and feeding machines and men in the whole area has been simplified by



The Narrow Divide

While Russia pours millions of workers into her munition and aircraft works in Siberia, the U.S. looks apprehensively at her "back door" entrance, Alaska, separated from the U.S.S.R. only by the narrow Bering Strait.

the Russian tenacity, and complete disregard for human suffering.

It appears that there are three main concentrations of military strength in Siberia:

(1) From the extreme tip of the Chukotsky Peninsula, which juts into the Bering Strait, across 1,000 miles to the Lena River in Central Siberia.

(2) In North Manchuria, an area which includes the atom-proof underground airfield.

(3) In North Mongolia, at Lake Balkol, where experts believe Russia is engaged on atomic projects.

Even with these known war concentrations, however, it is difficult

centred on the atom-proof airfield, where the Russians are reported to have based more than 2,500 planes and 20 divisions, five of them airborne.

There is clearly an overwhelming group of Soviet armies which could be used against General MacArthur's four divisions in Japan and Major-General Twining's mere handful of troops in Alaska.

Meanwhile, Russian technicians, scientists, industrialists, and army and air force leaders show no signs of letting up in their bid to

the rich resources of Manchuria, now available to the Soviet.

The Red Chinese triumphs have finally succeeded in cutting off the Allied line of Superfortress airfields at Chengtu, North-West of Chungking, at Sian and at Lanchow.

These vital air bridgeheads, once available for Allied long-range bombing operations over the Siberian arsenal, are now paralysed.

The Soviet military and air experts in Siberia have now no fear of being disturbed.

That Door Is Wide Open

By CLIFFORD HULME

America cannot plead that she has not been warned. A short time ago I listened to Mr. Bartlett, the delegate from Alaska, telling Congress:

"We are doing just enough to

make Alaska a more tempting prize. Properly defended, it could be an almost impregnable bulwark against attack from Asia and the springboard for a major offensive. But there is almost nothing to keep an enemy from entering Alaska in any numbers he chooses. At the present rate, the programme sought by the defence departments will take ten years to complete.

Alarm would be a mild word to describe the feelings of America's Service chiefs over the dismal state of Alaska's defences.

This virtually unguarded back door to America, separated by only a few miles of sea from the mushrooming installations of Asiatic Russia, is considered an invitation to another Pearl Harbour disaster. An area twelve times the size of England, and with more than 30,000 miles of coastline, is currently defended by fewer than 25,000 men, many of them cooks and clerks.

At the new air base near Fairbanks, which can take America's biggest bombers, the Alaskan commander, Major-General Twining, has had to assign every typist to defence posts in case of emergency.

"Alaska and the Aleutians," said Twining recently, "must be retained as a forward bastion. Loss of this Arctic frontier would leave a critical gap in our national defences."

He regards Alaska as primarily a base for long-range heavy bombing, yet airstrips built at enormous cost during the war lie unmanned and wide open to capture from the air.

Observer just back from Kodiak, in the middle of the "ring" barbed wire of the Aleutian Islands, gave me this picture of its defences:

At Camp Greaves there are 150 soldiers; at the navy base, 300 fighting men; air strength, nine old patrol bombers and no fighters; only eight of 300 motor vehicles are in running order.

Officers there estimate that 500 well-equipped paratroopers, supported by bombers and landings from submarines, could mop up the place in an hour. They say 10,000 air invaders could capture every defence base on the Alaskan mainland in one day.

Once in possession of the airfields, an enemy could start crippling America's industrial might by bombing. From Fairbanks to Seattle, home of the great Boeing aircraft works, only 1,500 miles; to Hartford, atomic energy plant, 2,400 miles; to Chicago, 2,600 miles; and to New York, 3,200 miles.

PRIORITIES FOR DEFENCE

Mr. Churchill has broadcast in the series of re-arranging appeals which the Prime Minister introduced last month. Let us hope that, with his unique status and powers, he will succeed where others have failed.

But more than oratory will be needed to restore the efficiency and strength of our Fighting Forces, without which peace will remain precarious, our diplomacy feeble, and Western Union and an Atlantic Pact alike short of the unchallengeable power they need for success.

The fighting spirit of officers and men in all three Services is not at all what it might be. When Mr. Henderson, Secretary of State for Air, recently referred to low morale in the Royal Air Force he was thinking of the discontent caused by boredom and frustration in certain non-operational units.

The causes lie in vacillating policy, in a lack of balance among different branches of the Army and the Air Force, and in the seeping-down of the disquiet felt in the higher ranks as to our ability to defend ourselves instantly and hit back decisively if war came in the near future.

Not Equal To Task

Most senior officers of the Services see the root of our present troubles in the working of the Ministry of Defence. The staff of this new department has not yet shaken down to a genuine inter-Service solidarity, and Mr. Alexander's qualities, which won him respect at the Admiralty, are not equal to the larger task.

He is amiable and impressive, but what is needed now is a Minister made of sterner stuff—one who can impose co-ordination on the fighting Services and compel attention in the Cabinet. The substitution of a more powerful personality would have a vital effect on morale.

Unfortunately, the Chiefs of Staff themselves have failed to agree on many points of principle in post-war defence policy. The wide differences of outlook on such matters as the future of the battleship and carrier, or on conscription, emphasise the importance of the appointment of a small committee of experts from the three Services, with a qualified non-Service chairman, to try to reconcile them objectively.

Each Service's Role

The first task is to produce agreement on the role of each of the three Services, and their respective establishments, in ships, planes, weapons and manpower. Our present schemes are shaped at the end of hostilities, largely on the assumption that war was unlikely for at least 10 years. Instead of being reconstructed to meet "cold war" conditions, it has been patched and repatched with each fresh crisis in foreign affairs.

The consequent changes have produced, particularly in the Army, a lack of security of position which has caused much discontent among regimental officers, some of whom have had as many as six postings since 1945.

Backbone Of The System

Regulars are the backbone of the defence system: not only can they alone perform certain vital tasks, like distant operations and garrisoning overseas, but the numbers and character of the Regular Forces, from which training cadres must be drawn, condition the numbers and character of the National Service and Territorial Forces also.

Though units of the Army and Royal Air Force serving abroad—notably the BAOR—are glad enough to have National Servicemen to maintain their strengths,

a larger Regular content would bring greater efficiency and solidarity.

The Regular Forces are alarmingly under-manned, and to build them up is a need of the highest national priority this spring. The latest known figures are:

Regulars	Navy	Army	Air Force
144,170	200,000	not fixed	
Actual Nos. of Regulars	118,600	174,000	106,700
National Service	12,300	231,000	107,500
Auxiliary & Territorial Forces	10,300	68,900	10,700

To bring the Regulars up to Establishment is the first task. Not only must Regular recruiting be accelerated, but serving men must be encouraged to extend their enlistments. This applies particularly to the skilled non-commissioned officers and the tradesmen so important in the Air Force. The entry of apprentices to establishments such as Hulton (which used to be the backbone of the old RAF) must be restored.

Better Pay And Conditions

All this calls for better pay and conditions of service on a bold scale. If every soldier is to be a potential sergeant, as he must be if the Army is to be capable of swift expansion, his potential reward must be that of the top

By Our Military Correspondent

craftsman in the factory and not of the average, as it is computed at present (without regard to overtime).

He is entitled to compensation for the fact that most of his service will be abroad. The new scales announced in the last White Paper in November are derisory. Roughly, pay increases of about 25 per cent, will be required to persuade existing Other Ranks to extend their contracts, and of at least one-third to accelerate the rate of recruiting.

The curve of officers' pay is too flat. Until he is about 30 the officer is well paid by comparison with other professions, but whereas other professional men at that age have incomes of £1,000, which may rise to £3,000, the majority of officers with equal responsibility stop at £1,200, and are then forced to retire.

Walters today earn more than squadron leaders, and there is the extraordinary anomaly that the chairman of public corporations, and ex-trade-union leaders, are earning twice as much as the Chiefs of Staff. The Services must be made a profession, comparable in rewards and opportunities with other professions.

Permanent Employment

A system whereby a man of good conduct would be guaranteed permanent State employment if he volunteered for the Defence Forces would be as great an in-

centive to recruiting as increased pay. The normal annual out-go from the three Services is in the region of £50,000.

Allowing for a large proportion of these wishing to follow their own careers—in family businesses for instance—it seems practical to reserve for ex-Servicemen most entries to the Post Office, the police forces and the Civil Defence service, and many jobs in Government departments, the railways, the nationalised industries and even schools and hospitals. Such a scheme would be particularly attractive to parents and schoolmasters who are guiding boys into careers and looking for reasonable long-term security.

Where will the money—£50,000,000 at the most—be found to provide the necessary increases of pay and allowances? A certain amount can be found from economies by the Services themselves, through the closing down of unessential establishments and through savings on overlapping services between the Navy, Army and Air Force.

But the major part must be an extra charge on the Budget. Here again, it is a question of priorities. When supplementary estimates for £110 millions, through a mere miscalculation of the cost of dental and hospital services and of food subsidies, can be presented in a single afternoon, it does not lie in the mouth of the Government to say we cannot afford adequate pay for the Defence Forces.

If, through weakness in defence, we were involved in another war, our standard of living, including social services, would be forced down far below its present level. To pay for defence, something of less priority must be cut out.

Window Displays

Once the basic conditions for success in recruiting are established, the Services should organise better window displays for the public. The recent cruises have brought healthy publicity to the Navy, to the envy of the sister Services. By comparison, much of the Royal Air Force publicity is centred on crashes, and that of the Army on court martial.

When a proper flow of Regular recruits and re-engagements has been achieved, attention must be turned to National Service and to the Territorial Army, though of course all three portions of the Services are integrally connected. Great damage is being done, not only to the Forces, but to the whole nation, by the delayed and uncertain call-up of National Servicemen. Careers of apprentices or those going on to universities are interrupted, planning for life is rendered more difficult in all classes, and young men may run to seed in idleness or dead-end jobs before going into the Army, which they then enter without enthusiasm.

Yet it would be a misfortune if the principle of conscription were abandoned, particularly after it has been accepted by a Labour Government. Selective Service may well be the answer: American experience shows that it is likely to help voluntary recruitment considerably both for the Regular Army and for the Territorial Forces, which in existing circumstances are also essential to our defensive plan, particularly for protection against air attack.

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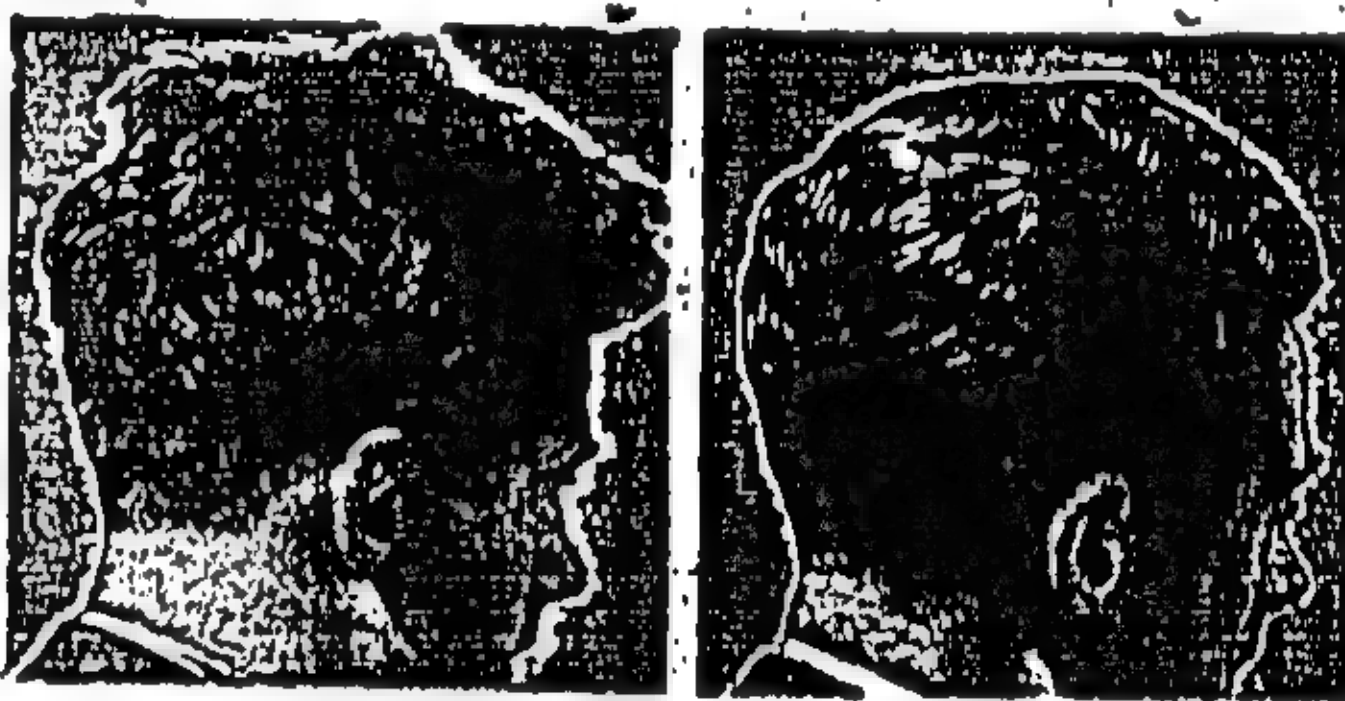
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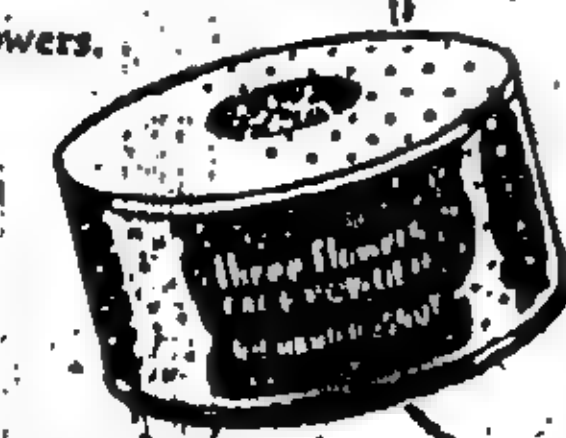
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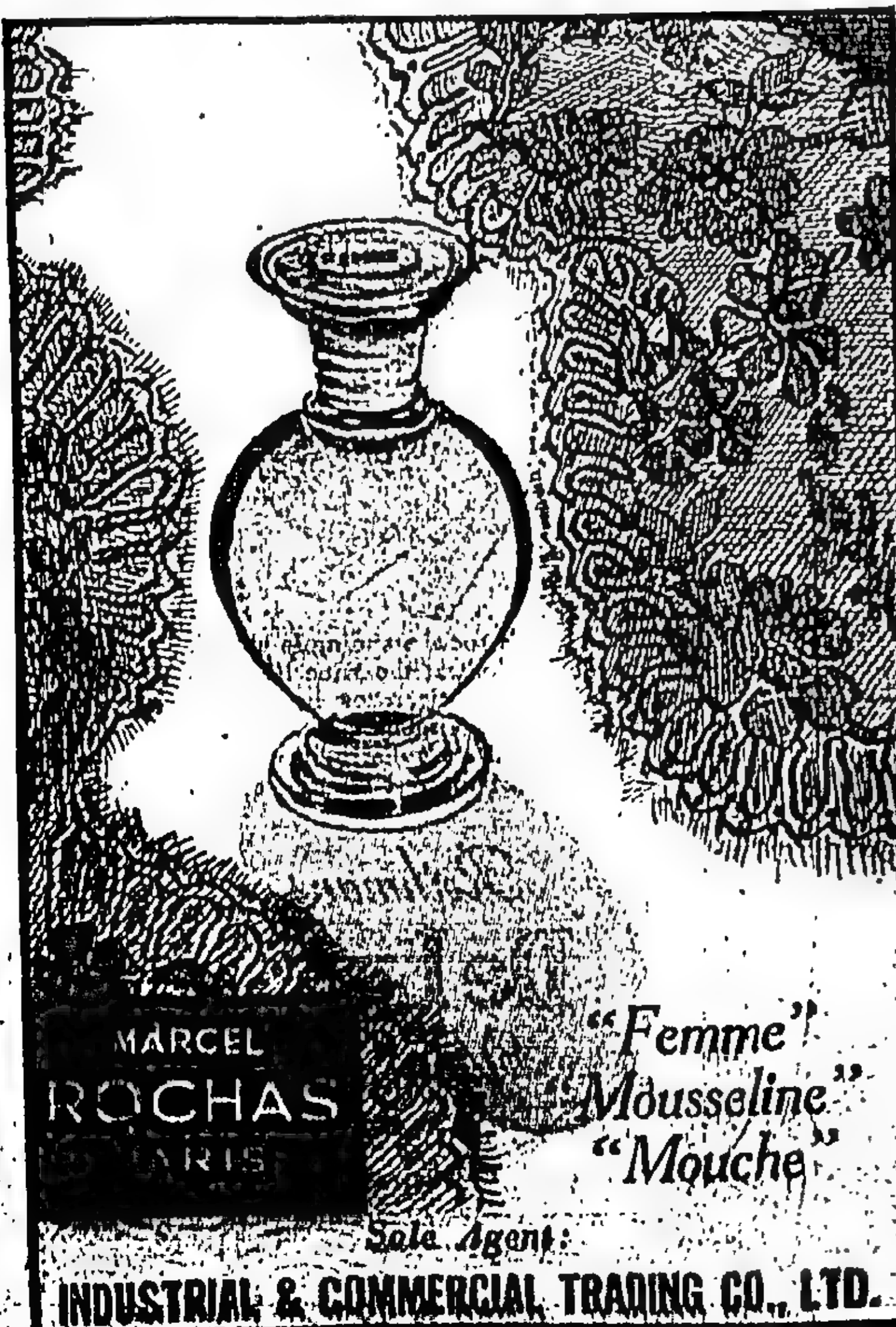
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BETWEEN OURSELVES
JACKET-DRESS SPRING OUTFITS

By Melita Spraggs

Dress and short jacket ensembles form the basis of the Brenner Sports collection for next spring. The working of striped material and the use of cor-related fabrics is seen to advantage in longish jackets worn over tailored dresses.

Pleats make for excitement and variety in the skirts of new spring dresses. There are groups of sunray pleats, sunray pleats inside deep inverted pleats, knife pleats all round except for a panel at the back, long inverted pleats to give elegance, box pleats, unpressed pleats at the sides or in back panels.

Dress sleeves are generally short and cuffed, necklines have collared boat necks, narrow V's, shawl collars, high fly-away collars, everywhere perked up with touches of sparkling white pique.

For the suits, simple classic lines have returned, with tailored coats and slim skirts, and the covered buttons, in demand on export models for the United States.

Pleated Backs

Full-length coats vary from full and swinging to sleekly fitting, although some coats combine both deep pleated backs.

Spring fabrics include coloured worsted tweeds, doekins, flannel, fine gabardines, bartheus, jersey plain and check—plain flannel and novelty settings seen for the first time on the home market.

Grays in all shades promise to be popular for the spring, with navy, soft browns and tans following closely. With these shades go trimmings of yellow, misty blue, or dusty pink.

Head coverings which on most occasions are worn as cowls return in some spring models, Brenner Sports shows a jumper suit in navy jersey with a hood lined

with a blue and white print; another suit has a navy and white spotted scarf attached to the back shoulder seams and falling like a soft collar; while yet another has oblique buttoning from the shawl collar to the waist, then the fastening reverses back to the left, where the line is continued in a handkerchief drape on the skirt. Contrasting cuffs appear on long-sleeved jumper suits. One in gray flannel has pockets, cuffs and jacket outlined in light gray.

Little Black Dress

The little black dress which has been worn for so many informal occasions by the British women in the past notoriously ten years looks as though it were being ousted.

Navy blue dresses would seem to be taking the place of the ever-popular black. Brenner Sports do these in fine wools, in crepes, silk jersey, and novelty tullest.

Other colours used for afternoon dresses are bronze, metallic silver with a flash of lightning blue. Where head or sequin embroidery is used it is jet or topaz and bronze. Other trimmings include braid, white beaded collars and cuffs, zill or beaded eyelets.

Skirts on day dresses are fairly slim to the knees, then they flare out into unpressed pleats, flares, or frills. Hems are often stitched many times to give them a stiff swing.

For the more formal decolette party or dinner dresses ables, capes and boleros have returned.

There ought to be varied choice on the home market when these collections are in the shops round about February.



Ribbon-striped two-piece costume in grey from Brenner Sports. Collared boat neck-line is inset with white pique.

Another Brenner sports outfit in blue with narrow double stripe of navy. Skirt is pleated except for panel at back.

Ann Temple
Unable To Agree

My husband and I (aged 30) work in the same firm and leave early to go to our jobs and see little of each other through the week.

We enjoy our jobs and like the people we work with, but in the evenings when we are alone together (no children) we always seem to argue over trivial matters and seem unable to agree. Please can you help us over this problem?—SALLY.

Possibly there is a little hidden discontent in both of you with the pattern of your marriage.

It departs from the long traditional acceptance of the home as the place which the wife enjoys as her domain, looking after it, making it a pleasant place of welcome to the husband returning from his work and the outside world. Different roles, but complementary to each other, and so avoiding a ramparts into which some element of competition and similar self-interest enters.

Without that full home interest which takes up any of the slack in companionship you are far more dependent on the friendship of marriage.

You can take the initiative in this. Instead of arguing and disagreeing try to be interested in his point of view. Take his view up and set your aside for a while. Give him the interest and the sympathy and the patience of friendship.

I don't mean this to be a permanently one-sided attitude. I should have asked your husband to do this, had he asked me. But if you will start off you will put an end to this pulling in different ways. And in the happier companionship he may soon come to be a contributor.

I have a daughter of 12 who is hopelessly absent-minded. She puts things down and forgets where they are. She lets the potatoes burn to a frazzle in the room where she is sitting, her nose buried in a book. I find myself nagging her. She exasperates my husband.—MOTHER.

I SHOULD feel something of a hypocrite were I to condemn concentration to the exclusion of

awareness of what is going on around. I could—and have—let the potatoes burn myself!

Of course it is exasperating, but go slowly and carefully with a girl of 12. Nagging will confuse and hurry her.

The best approach would be an indirect one allowing her to discover for herself the satisfaction in flexibility and alertness. Single out one phase—that putting things down and forgetting—and aim at correcting that.

Interest her in a cure. Put it to her as a time and worry savor for herself, and ask her to try putting down half a dozen objects in different places, observing some detail and making a mental note of each place she selects, and then half an hour afterwards going round and picking them up. Her own satisfaction in her success will be an incentive to keeping hand and eye working together.

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Between Ourselves:

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BLOUSES FOR THE BIF

BY JANET MARTIN

The products of Hong Kong are to be displayed at this year's British Industries Fair, and later at the Canadian International Trade fair in Toronto.

Among the Hong Kong exhibits will be a collection of exquisitely embroidered blouses and lingerie designed by one of our local fashion experts.

The skill of Chinese embroidery workers is admired all over the world. Allied to perfect design and cut, the finished garments have beauty and quality which will stand comparison with the best.

Styles chosen for the blouses are mainly those classic designs which are always popular. They can be worn under a suit or with an afternoon skirt, even with an evening skirt.

The embroidery has the exquisite delicacy of a portrait in miniature, incredibly fine and dainty. When I saw the collection in preparation last week, I quite fell in love with a charming blouse in lavender blue chiffon georgette, with fine scalloped collar and front, and long, full sleeves gathered into fitting cuffs. The front panel is decorated with a mist of the finest embroidery of worked in exactly matching shade of blue.

angles, down the front panels. Each fold of pleating is fastened with a silk to match.

Embroidery is a delicate art, and all are on the same fairy-like scale. A blouse in shell pink silk displays shoulders with miniature scale smoking, double fagoting round the collar as fine as one single row, and silk embroidery in lovers' knot design.

A tailored blouse in heavy white silk has the new long-pointed collar, each point embroidered with a minute spray of flowers. The front has fine hem-stitched pleats.

The lingerie styles are designed to combine the utmost delicacy with good wear. There is none of that very much cut away embroidery which breaks quickly even with the most careful washing. Beauty which will last seems to me a most desirable quality of such perfect workmanship.

Exquisitely Embroidered

There are several nightgowns, for instance, made with beautifully cut skirts in pure silk satin. The tops are of silk georgette or chiffon, exquisitely embroidered in featherpoint outline stitching, which gives a slightly embossed effect.

One especially lovely model, in white satin used on the reverse side, has a chiffon bodice with the neckline outlined by a band of satin, scalloped and hemstitched. The chiffon is embroidered with tiny satin applique flowers with stitched centres.

Another, in pale blue silk with leaf design, has a chiffon top

Contrasting Style

In the same material, a contrasting style has a soft bow tie at the neck and a series of V-necked, narrow, even face down the front of the bodice.

Shirone pink silk is used for a lovely blouse with the finest lace imaginable, all hand stitched, down the front. The round neck is finished with a circle of silk petals embroidered in self-coloured silk. This model has short sleeves.

Fit partners for the classic suit is a shirtmaker-cut blouse in mustard silk. This is pleated across the yoke and at right

TEEN-AGE FLAIR

By IRIS ASHLEY

HAVING a nice cup of tea at the Ballerina Restaurant after a visit to Nido's Wells, we saw more teen-agers in less time than I could count.

They were so fashion-wise, these 16-, 17- and 18-year-olds, that Francis Marshall felt he must draw them for you to see. The bathing blouse which looks so young and so chic was in a light-wash jersey. The little almost-hat was yellow.

Another girl wore the same blouse in black jersey and embroidered around the neck with gold beads and sequins.

See the choker necklace? Very easy to make yourself. If you have an old imitation pearl necklace of the wrong length—or maybe a string of beads—buy some proper thread and make them into three strands of equal length to measure at least half-way round your neck.

See the ends of the string pearls or beads to a piece of velvet ribbon in wide. Tie the ribbon in a neat back bow.

Do you like the long stocking cap? It's a style seen a lot in America. This one was of white, with red and blue stripes. We think they look cute when you're under 20.



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Dior Lifts The Hemline

By Marie-Alix Lamotte

Paris, Saturday.
Christian Dior, creator of the New Look, is the man who is raising the hem-line.

At the first display of his Spring fashions he showed dresses with hemlines up to 14 inches from the ground.

And now, ladies, you can throw away padding, gimpures and all such feminine artifices and get the lines of Venus.

Today he can rest content that he still remains the king of all Paris designers.

His "camouflage" line sprung on the fashion world yesterday is his most flattering one to date. To get this enchanting silhouette he leaves the shoulders, waist and hips in complete freedom, but he adds to the bodices of coats, suits and dresses enormous stiffened breast pockets or winged lapels, which give emphasis to the shoulders, and in comparison, make the waist appear much smaller than it really is.

This is a trick so wonderfully simple and effective it is amazing no one has thought it out before.

Sailor Collars

Sailor collars, seen in the collection, are a concession to youth. They appear on coats and dresses—even those linen redingotes, which are in light colours, and are worn over dark wool dresses.

Dior introduces panels of drapery, like flower petals, which swing out from the waist over slim skirts, usually in another colour.

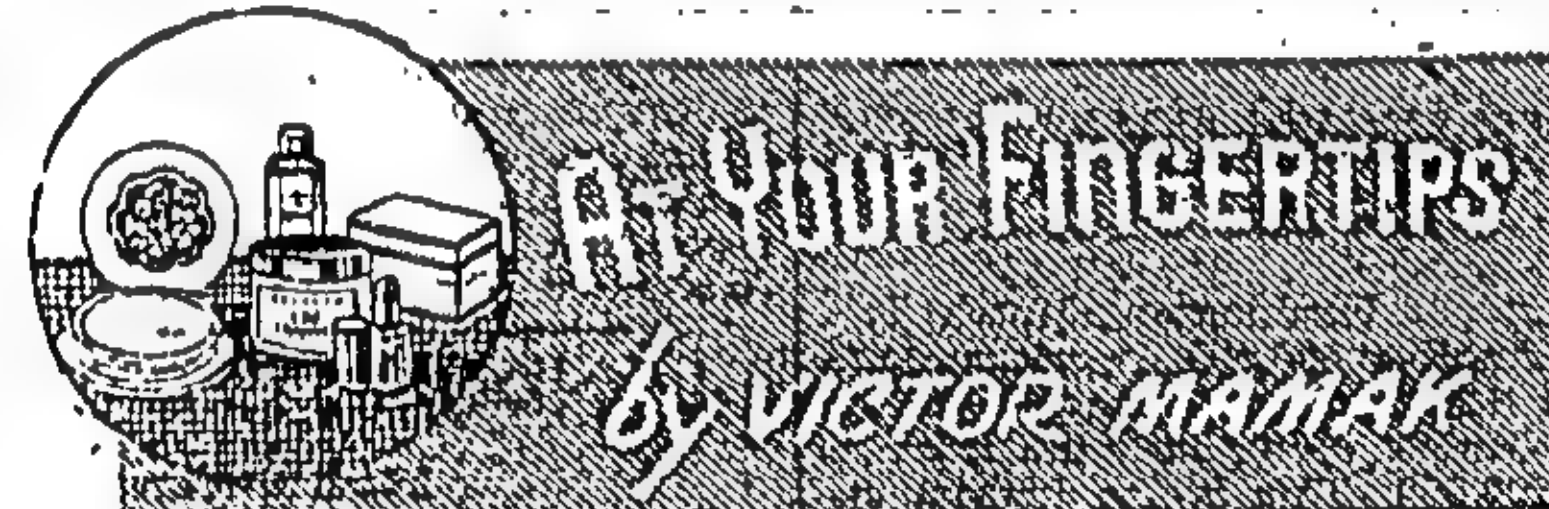
Interesting examples are the navy blue dress, with its tartan underskirt, and the tartan taffeta dress with a navy overskirt. Skirts are shorter than last season, and are 14 inches from the ground.

A New View

Christian Dior certainly seems to have changed his views. He was the first couturier to mention long skirts for afternoons. Now he insists on short dresses for evening.

Most of his evening dresses are modest and strapless, though he showed some incredibly beautiful and very feminine evening gowns in net, tulle, and organdy.

These models include two magnificent ball dresses—one in white net with a spirally-frilled skirt, embroidered with mother-of-pearl paillettes, and the other frilled also and edged with fine lace.



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"Dear Mr. Mamak,
My mother has white hair. She is tall, slim and still very attractive. But lately she bought

a red coat for herself which has brought some comments from my school mates, who think my mother is too old to wear red. Do you think they are right? Please treat my inquiry as important and answer as early as possible."

TEEN-AGE DAUGHTER.

No. Your school mates need their impressions corrected. Red is very gay, and your mother's red coat will "set off" her white hair and make her look still more attractive. You needn't worry about your mother's taste in colours. I think she is a smart woman and I am sure she uses the same shade of red for her lipstick.

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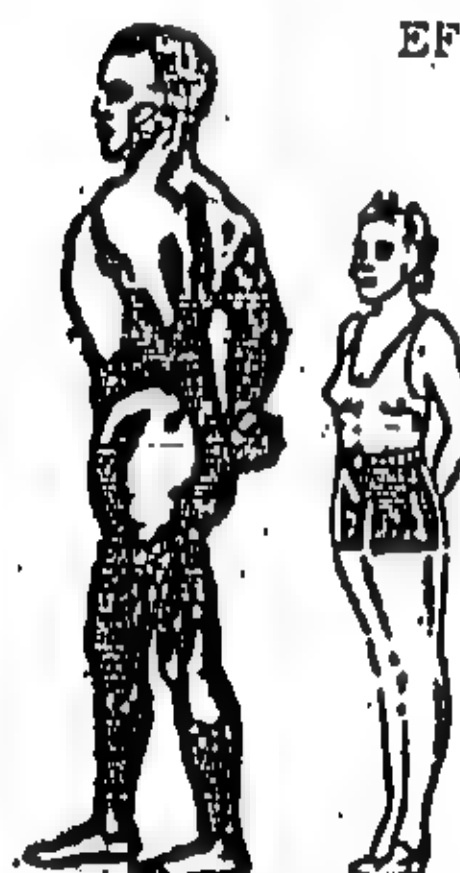
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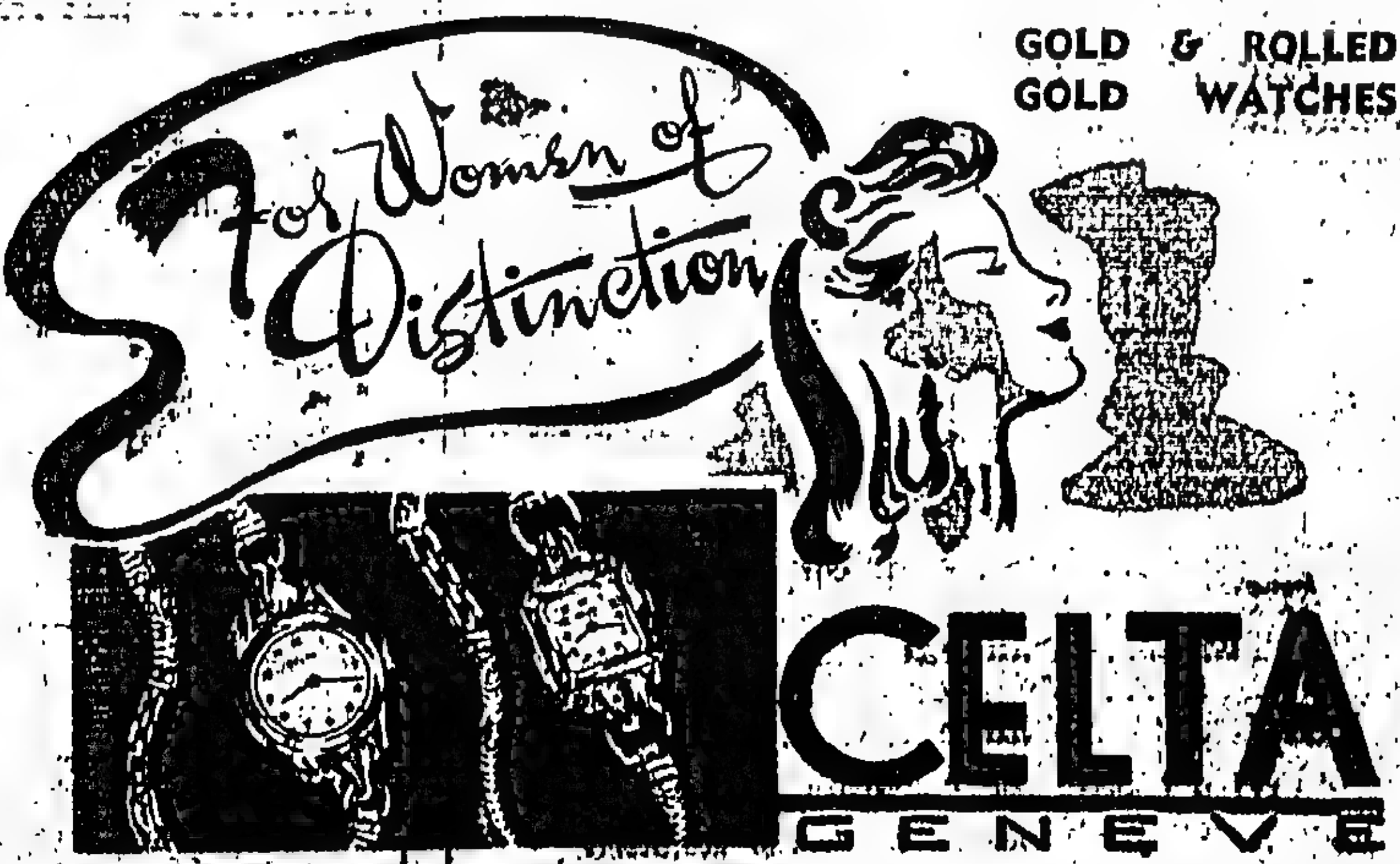
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56-YEAR-OLD AU HONG

56-Year-Old To Climb Lion Rock

A 56-year-old man will complete with 55 other considerably younger men in today's Lion Rock Mountain race, sponsored by the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association.

Proprietor of a Chinese grocery store in Graham Street, 56-year-old Au Hong is an amateur long distance runner. He was among the four who finished first in the Marathon on January 2 last.

Au leads a sporting life. He rises daily at 4 a.m. for an hour's run with his young trainees. On his return he takes a cold bath, breakfasts and returns to his bed until his store opens for business.

Au became interested in long distance running when he was still a boy. He represented China in the Far East Olympic Meet at Shanghai 30 years ago and has since won many prizes in long distance events.

He also participated in the 1948 Marathon in the Colony.

He told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday that he is confident in finishing today's Lion Rock Mountain race at Kowloon City.

First, second, or third, he would not predict.

Partiality For Cricket In Early Days

John Arculli, the IRC bowler, who was born in February 1921, first learned to handle a ball from his dad, A. el Arculli, former IRC captain and opening (left-hand round-the-wicket) bowler.

In the old days the "senior" part of this cricketing family was one of the keenest members of the IRC 1st XI, and it was not surprising, therefore, that young John showed distinct partiality for cricket almost as soon as he learned to walk.

His first school was the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians, Sookunpo, and he played regularly for the school XI until he went up to La Salle College in 1936 and was made captain of the side which included Gerry and Zinho Gannon (now towers of strength of the League leaders, Club de Recoelo), Eddie Noronha, "Sunny" Carvalho (now in Australia) and Mickey Remedios, who is shortly due back from Britain after his engineering studies.

For his school, John's best score was 70-odd against Queen's College, in those days one of the strongest school teams in the Colony.

While still in school he played for the IRC 2nd XI which were runners-up to Police RC in the 1936-37 season.

He topped the Club's bowling averages that season with 2.3 runs per wicket for 47 wickets, and the same season he scored a not out century (118) against Recoelo.

Arculli won his place in the IRC 1st XI after the Re-Occupation and since then has turned out for them regularly. He is a fast right-hand over-the-wicket bowler and but for a tendency to try and get that little extra pace, he is a more than useful bowler who has, lately, learned how to swing and flight the ball.

He will be away from the Colony about a year to complete his articles and when he returns a full-blown solicitor, his cricket should have benefitted from having had some professional coaching which I believe he intends to know.

W.F. Foo Creates First Shuttle Upset

(By ARGONAUT)

To W. F. Foo, the YMCA player, goes the honour of creating the first major upset of the Colony Championships which begin last Monday.

A total of 18 fixtures were played off during the week, and with the eliminating rounds practically completed, next week's games promise to be more evenly and closely contested.

In one of the best games seen in the tournament so far, replete with its share of thrills and excitement, W. F. Foo ousted Patrick Wong, the No. 2 seeded player, last Friday from the Senior Singles event.

Although Foo won in two straight sets, the game was actually much closer, than indicated.

Superior stamina and agility were the factors which ended the game in Foo's favour.

Wong went down gallantly fighting to the end, and sportingly saw the game to the finish even when he was completely exhausted near the middle of the second set, when he had to "hit out three shots in succession to win the match.

Foo, however, played a superb game, adopting the correct tactics from the very beginning.

That night he rightly discarded these fancy shots which usually cost him many points and concentrated on more solid, drop and smash, knowing that he could outlast his opponent.

Wong tried to counter with the dropshots which once were his most deadly strokes. That night these shots either fell inches below the cord of the net, or yards over to the other side.

Foo has improved considerably especially in his backhand and smashes and should be a strong contender of the Singles Crown this year.

Among the ladies seen in action during the week, Mrs. Tom Mountman was the most outstanding with two wins to her credit.

In the Senior Mixed Doubles fixture last Friday, she gave more than able support to Gillies, to beat the crack Recoelo pair of Goncalves and Margaret Xavier.

Marie Ribeiro, one of the favourites for the Ladies Singles title, was not given much opposition in her first round match by Miss Bain, who, no doubt was very much out of practice.

League Games

With the beginning of the Championship game interest in the League matches has been pushed somewhat into the background, but tomorrow's needle match between the Chinese YMCA and the University in the Senior Men's Doubles Division will be a major attraction of the week.

The Y's are still licking the wounds they received at the hands of the undergrads last month and will be out to even the score.

The University boys, on the other hand, with the advantage of playing on a home-court, will be putting out every ounce of energy to make sure that a replay is not necessary.

The Junior Men's League, with an average of three matches per club, will wind up in about three weeks' time with the final replay between Recoelo and St. Teresa's for the Junior Mixed Doubles trophy, the League season then reaches its conclusion.

Next Week's Games

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KCC 2nd XI Beat Navy By 70 Runs

In a Second League Cricket game, KCC beat Royal Navy by 70 runs at Cox's Road.

Battling first, the home team knocked up 107 runs for eight declared. F. Randall was top scorer with 33 runs.

Harrison took three wickets for 22 runs. Windmill also took three wickets but gave away 43 runs. Noise claimed two for 24.

Harrison was also Navy's top scorer with 14 runs. Navy were all out for 37.

Hancock and Matthews were both in good form with the ball taking four for 10 and six for 14 respectively.

KCC

S.C. Teumman, bow Noise

V.H. White, c Meffan, b

Windmill

H. Matthews, b Noise

E. Randall, c Hughes, b

Windmill

S.A. Gray, b Harrison

W.H. Cowie, c Hughes, b

Windmill

E.A.J. Hancock, b Harrison

G. Guest, b Harrison

G. Rossettel, not out

D. White, not out

Extras

Total (for 8 wks. decl.) 107

R. Leigh did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Noise 14 5 24 2

Windmill 17 5 43 2

Bonsend 2 1 4 1

Harrison 5 1 22 3

ROYAL NAVY

Hughes, c Guest, b Matthews

Harrison, c Rossettel, b Hancock

Meffan, c Guest, b Hancock

Windmill, lbw b Matthews

Noise, c Guest, b Matthews

Gaskell, c Leigh, b Matthews

Connors, c Guest, b Matthews

Pryce, b Matthews

Ferguson, c Leigh, b Matthews

Burstead, c Randall, b Hancock

Bown, not out

Extras

Total 37

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Hancock 8 2 19 4

Matthews 8 4 14 6

IRC To Run Sunday Cricket League Again

(By "MID ON")

Thanks to the generosity of Mr. F. T. Melwan, Vice-president, Indian Recreation Club, is again able to run a Sunday Cricket League.

Before the war, this competition, confined to members of the club, attracted no less than six entries. It did much to improve the standard of cricket at IRC, let alone acting as a stimulant to those members who, though keen on cricket, were not able to find places in either the club's first or second eleven in the Hong Kong Cricket League.

The winning teams in those days had their names inscribed on the "Cot" Stout Shield, put up for competition by Harry Wicking & Co., Ltd., and the sides taking part were "Inco's", Stoics, Malays, Bhoras, Sindhis and "Holeys."

On Sunday, March 13, Indian RC are holding another of the tea dances which have proved so tremendously popular, and this time the opportunity will be taken to give young John Arculli, who is leaving the following day for Britain by the ss, "Cortu," a send-off.

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Recreio XI Beat IRC As Army Team Loses

Optimists Account For RAF; KCC Beat Navy By 20 Runs

Club de Recreio consolidated their chances of winning the First League Cricket Championship yesterday when they beat Indian Recreation Club by nine wickets at King's Park.

Recreio's prospects were further enhanced by virtue of Army's four wicket defeat at the hands of HKCC "Scorpions" at Chater Road.

Army still have to play Kowloon Cricket Club and Indian Recreation Club respectively, while Recreio's only remaining fixture is against the RAF.

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Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Stokes, c. sub, b. Fillingham...	10	1	28	3
Kerr, b. Fillingham...	12	2	53	1
Pearce, b. Stephens...	2	—	11	—
Newton, c. Scott, b. Fillingham...	3	—	20	1
Extras	—	—	—	—
Total	27	3	112	5

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HKCC "Optimists" had no difficulty in beating RAF by four wickets in a First League Cricket match at Sookumpoo.

The Armymen batted first and were dismissed for the relatively small total of 114 runs. Hushwood was top-scorer with 25, Galt (11), Fullett (17) and Crelin (11) were the only other RAF batsmen to reach double figures.

Rowe captured five wickets for 34 runs, while Mahon took four for 34.

Rowe followed up his splendid bowling performance by scoring 61 or the "Optimists". L. Kilbee also came off well with the bat and scored 23 not out to his credit when his side declared at 118 for six.

Marshall dismissed three of the "Optimists" for 28 runs.

RAF

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Full, b. Rowe	11	—	—	—
Marshall, c. Oliver, b. Mahon	11	—	—	—
Hushwood, c. Wood, b. Rowe	25	—	—	—
Barrett, c. Oliver, b. Rowe	28	—	—	—
Mahon, c. Wood, b. Mahon	17	—	—	—
Fullett, c. Kilbee, b. Mahon	17	—	—	—
Crelin, c. Miller, b. Rowe	11	—	—	—
Taylor, b. Mahon	3	—	—	—
Rowe, b. Mahon	3	—	—	—
Wilson, not out	8	—	—	—
Hodgson, c. Miller, b. Oliver	8	—	—	—
Extras	11	—	—	—
Total	114	—	—	—

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Slaughter	3	—	7	—
Mahon	12	1	34	4
Rowe	11	—	31	5
Erson	3	—	22	—
Kilbee	1	—	5	—
Oliver	1	—	4	—
Extras	—	—	—	—
Total	32	1	118	9

M. Wood, W. Slaughter and M. Little did not bat.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Third Race Meeting,

Saturday, 12th March, 1949

There are ten races, the first will be run at 1.30 p.m. The first race will be run at 2.00 p.m. and the last race at 6.20 p.m.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE. Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10, including tax, are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member, to be responsible for all claims etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller's Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE. The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tipsters, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES. Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted to enter the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

BY ORDER, C. H. BROWN, Secretary.

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Extras	—	—	—	—
Total	27	3	112	5

Brilliant bowling by G. E. Taylor and R. E. Lee gave KCC a 20-run victory over Royal Navy in a First League cricket match game at King's Park.

As both teams agreed before play that the game should count as two encounters, KCC's victory advances them a total of eight points in the league.

Scoring on both sides was low and runs were slow in coming. KCC took first lease of the wicket and totalled 65 runs. W. M. Davidson, KCC's third bat, went all the way—approximately—off four and 10 minutes—for 16 runs not out, and with R. E. Lee (10) was the top scorer.

White was the Navy's most successful bowler, taking six wickets for 18 runs. Mathieson claimed three wickets but had 34 runs knocked off him.

Evans, Navy's opening bat, scored out the whole innings with 23 not out, top scorer of the match. Against the fast bowling of Taylor's six for 24 and R. E. Lee's four for 19, Navy was all out for 45.

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
N. Hart-Baker, b. Mathieson	6	—	—	—
W. M. Davidson, not out	10	—	—	—
G. E. Taylor, c. Gerrard, b. White	10	—	—	—
J. Barrow, c. Workman, b. White	5	—	—	—
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Mathieson, c. Betts, b. White	3	—	—	—
A. Zimmerman, c. Betts, b. White	3	—	—	—
E. C. Fincher, run out	10	—	—	—
R. E. Lee, b. White	10	—	—	—
V. C. Bond, c. Betts, b. White	8	—	—	—
P. Kennedy, b. Mathieson	0	—	—	—
J. H. Hewitt, b. White	0	—	—	—
Extras	2	—	—	—
Total	65	—	—	—

Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W
Mathieson	15	3	34	3
White	18	10	11	6
Workman	3	1	18	—
Extras	—	—	—	—
Total	36	14	63	9

Workman	3	1	11	—
ROYAL NAVY				
Workman, b Lee	0			
Evans not out	23			
Evans, a Bond, b Lee				

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HONG KONG, SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 1949.



S. AFRICA SCORE 136 FOR 3 IN FIFTH TEST

Port Elizabeth, March 5.

At the tea interval today, South Africa had scored 136 runs for three wickets in the first day of the fifth and final test match against England.

South Africa were soon in trouble when the match opened in brilliant weather, two wickets falling for only 13 runs.

Freeman Wins Shuttle Title

London, March 5.
Dr. David Freeman of California today won the men's singles title in the All-England badminton championship when he downed Oot Teik Hock of Malaya in the final by 15/1 and 15/6.

Freeman, the United States champion, has been undefeated in singles play for 10 years. Freeman today showed himself to be the master of masters at his game.

He blasted the Malayan champion off the court in 23 minutes, playing with deadly accuracy.—Reuter.

Singapore XV Beat Colony In Last Game

(By "SPECTATOR")

In a very hard fought rugby game on the Chu Chuan road, Singapore XV today beat the Colony Combined Services team by five points to three.

It was the superiority of the Singapore backs which decided the game.

Although the Hong Kong side got the ball nine times out of 10 in the set scrum, poor handling in their back division spoilt their efforts.

The Singapore side had a slight advantage in the loose Hong Kong were unfortunate in their kicks, one penalty kick and one conversion hitting the upright.

Both tries resulted from brilliant individual efforts. In the first half, Sabin of Singapore, cut through to touch down between the posts. Roland-Price converted.

The Hong Kong try was scored in the second half by J. Henderson, who slipped through the defence to score on the blind side.

Stovell was very unlucky to hit the upright with his attempt at conversion.

Both sides put up a good display of hard, clean rugby before the largest crowd seen watching rugby in Hong Kong since pre-war days.

Depleted Army Soccer Programme

A depleted football programme with numerous postponements owing to training, was played off during the past two weeks in the Army Football League.

Teams such as Buffs "B" may well feel the strain of a heavy out of season programme and not fulfil the earlier hopes of their supporters.

Of the matches played, Minor Units claim credit for a record crop of goals against the luckless Sappers. Without a doubt they were worthy of such a convincing victory, their forward line combining well against a very uncertain defence.

Non-stop" played for an hour and a half, but the music was not so much as the other, and the music was not so

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Gunnery "A"	17	10	1	6	74	10	21
Minor Units	18	12	2	4	62	21	26
Signals	18	11	2	5	54	21	24
Buffs "B"	18	10	2	6	48	21	22
Gunnery "B"	16	11	0	5	44	20	22
Buffs "A"	16	10	1	5	57	21	21
RASC	17	7	1	9	31	53	15
Gurkhas "A"	16	6	2	8	28	28	14
BMH	16	5	3	8	21	49	13
Bde HQ	18	5	2	11	24	61	8
Sappers	18	5	1	12	9	89	7
Gurkhas "B"	17	1	1	15	16	68	3

Total (for 3) 136 runs for 3 wickets.

Joe Louis To Back Charles

New York, March 4.

Joe Louis is planning to seek recognition from the New York State Athletic Commission for Ezzard Charles to meet Joe Walcott for a world heavyweight title fight.

The National Boxing Association, which controls the sport outside New York, has already agreed to recognise the winner as the new world champion.

The former world champion is prepared to stage the Charles-

Walcott fight in New York. If Eddie Egan, Chairman of the New York Commission, agrees to recognise it as for the world championship.

Mr. Egan's agreement is not considered likely. He has already expressed himself in favour of eliminating series.—Reuter.

King George V School Holds Athletic Meet

The King George V School held its annual Athletic Sports Meet yesterday at the school campus.

On conclusion of the Meet, prizes were presented by Dr. W. G. Eggleton, who congratulated both the contestants and all who had made the occasion such a success.

Champions of field and track races were M. Beck (junior girls); D. McLellan (junior boys); M. Payne (middle girls); M. Nicholson and M. Koodiaroff (middle boys); S. Anderson (victor laudorum); P. McLean (victor laudorum).

Cups were presented to P. McLean (Nightingale House); M. Beck (School House); S. Anderson (Updell House).

The inter house championship was won by Nightingale.

The results of the sports were:

50 yards (junior boys): (1) D. McLellan, (2) M. Brown, (3) R. Sealer and (4) H. Smith. Time: 7.4 seconds.
100 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 17.5 seconds.
200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 35.5 seconds.
400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 1:12.5 seconds.
800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 2:25.5 seconds.
1,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 4:50.5 seconds.
3,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 9:55.5 seconds.
6,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 19:55.5 seconds.
12,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 39:55.5 seconds.
25,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 79:55.5 seconds.
51,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 159:55.5 seconds.
102,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 319:55.5 seconds.
204,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 639:55.5 seconds.
409,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 1279:55.5 seconds.
819,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 2559:55.5 seconds.
1,638,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 5119:55.5 seconds.
3,276,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 10239:55.5 seconds.
6,553,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 20479:55.5 seconds.
13,107,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 40959:55.5 seconds.
26,214,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 81919:55.5 seconds.
52,428,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 163839:55.5 seconds.
104,857,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 327679:55.5 seconds.
209,715,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 655359:55.5 seconds.
419,430,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 1310719:55.5 seconds.
838,860,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 2621439:55.5 seconds.
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6,710,886,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 20971519:55.5 seconds.
13,421,772,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 41943039:55.5 seconds.
26,843,545,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 83886079:55.5 seconds.
53,687,091,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 167772159:55.5 seconds.
107,374,182,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 335544319:55.5 seconds.
214,748,364,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 671088639:55.5 seconds.
429,496,729,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 1342177159:55.5 seconds.
858,993,459,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 2684354319:55.5 seconds.
1,717,986,918,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 5368708639:55.5 seconds.
3,435,973,836,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 10737417279:55.5 seconds.
6,871,947,673,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 21474834559:55.5 seconds.
13,743,895,347,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 42949669119:55.5 seconds.
27,487,790,694,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 85899338239:55.5 seconds.
54,975,581,388,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 171798676479:55.5 seconds.
109,951,162,777,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 343597352959:55.5 seconds.
219,902,325,555,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 687194705919:55.5 seconds.
439,804,651,110,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 1374389211839:55.5 seconds.
879,609,302,220,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 2748778223679:55.5 seconds.
1,759,218,604,441,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 5497556447359:55.5 seconds.
3,518,437,208,883,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 10995112894719:55.5 seconds.
7,036,874,417,766,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 21990225789439:55.5 seconds.
14,073,748,835,532,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 43980451578879:55.5 seconds.
28,147,497,671,065,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 87960903157759:55.5 seconds.
56,294,995,342,131,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 175921806315519:55.5 seconds.
112,589,990,684,262,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 351843712631039:55.5 seconds.
225,179,981,368,524,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 703687425262079:55.5 seconds.
450,359,962,737,049,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 1407374505244159:55.5 seconds.
900,719,925,474,099,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 2814749010488319:55.5 seconds.
1,801,439,850,948,198,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 5629498020976639:55.5 seconds.
3,602,879,701,896,396,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 11258996041953279:55.5 seconds.
7,205,759,403,792,793,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 22517992083906559:55.5 seconds.
14,411,518,807,585,587,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 45035984171813119:55.5 seconds.
28,823,037,615,171,174,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 90071968343626239:55.5 seconds.
57,646,075,230,342,348,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 180143936687252479:55.5 seconds.
115,292,150,460,684,697,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 360287973374504959:55.5 seconds.
230,584,300,921,369,395,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 720575946749009919:55.5 seconds.
461,168,601,842,738,790,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 1441151935018199839:55.5 seconds.
922,337,203,685,477,580,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 2882303870036399679:55.5 seconds.
1,844,674,407,370,955,161,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 57646071400727193519:55.5 seconds.
3,689,348,814,741,910,323,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 115292150280144196639:55.5 seconds.
7,378,697,629,483,820,646,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 230584300560288393279:55.5 seconds.
14,757,395,258,967,641,292,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 461168601120576786559:55.5 seconds.
29,514,790,517,935,282,585,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 922337202241153573119:55.5 seconds.
59,029,581,035,870,565,171,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 1844674404482307142239:55.5 seconds.
118,059,162,071,741,130,342,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 3689348808964614244479:55.5 seconds.
236,118,324,143,482,260,684,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 7378697617929228408959:55.5 seconds.
472,236,648,286,964,521,369,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 147573953585584563779:55.5 seconds.
944,473,296,573,929,042,739,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 2951479071111691275519:55.5 seconds.
1,888,946,593,147,858,085,478,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 5902958142223382551039:55.5 seconds.
3,777,893,186,295,716,170,956,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 11805916284446763302079:55.5 seconds.
7,555,786,372,591,432,341,913,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 23611832568892726804159:55.5 seconds.
15,111,572,745,182,864,683,827,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 47223665137785453608319:55.5 seconds.
30,223,145,490,365,729,367,654,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 94447330275570907216639:55.5 seconds.
60,446,290,980,731,459,734,308,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 188894660551141814433279:55.5 seconds.
120,892,581,961,462,919,468,617,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 377789312112283628866559:55.5 seconds.
241,785,163,922,925,837,937,235,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 755578624224567257733119:55.5 seconds.
483,570,327,845,851,675,874,470,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 151115724445133455466639:55.5 seconds.
967,140,655,691,703,351,749,940,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 302231458889268710989279:55.5 seconds.
1,934,281,311,383,406,702,699,881,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 604462917778537421978559:55.5 seconds.
3,868,562,622,766,813,405,399,763,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 1208925835556766843957119:55.5 seconds.
7,737,125,245,533,626,810,798,526,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 2417851671113533687914239:55.5 seconds.
15,474,250,491,067,253,641,597,052,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 4835703342227067375828479:55.5 seconds.
30,948,500,982,134,507,283,194,105,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 9671406684454134755656959:55.5 seconds.
61,897,001,964,269,014,566,388,211,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 193428133689082811113119:55.5 seconds.
123,794,003,928,538,029,132,776,422,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 386856267378165622226239:55.5 seconds.
247,588,007,857,076,058,265,552,844,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 773712514913321253532479:55.5 seconds.
495,176,015,714,152,116,530,110,589,689,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 1547425028266242506664959:55.5 seconds.
990,352,031,428,304,232,060,221,179,379,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 3094850056524484013329919:55.5 seconds.
1,980,704,062,856,608,464,120,442,358,758,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 6189700113128968026649839:55.5 seconds.
3,961,408,125,713,216,928,240,885,717,516,800 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 12379400226257936452899679:55.5 seconds.
7,922,816,251,426,433,856,481,771,435,033,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 24758800452515877010599359:55.5 seconds.
15,845,632,502,852,867,713,963,542,870,067,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 49517600905031754221198719:55.5 seconds.
31,691,265,005,705,735,427,926,085,740,134,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 99035201810063508442397439:55.5 seconds.
63,382,530,011,411,470,854,851,771,435,033,600 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 198070403620127016884768879:55.5 seconds.
126,765,060,022,822,941,709,709,742,870,067,200 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 396140807240254033769537759:55.5 seconds.
253,530,120,045,645,883,419,419,485,740,134,400 yards (junior boys): (1) M. Beck, (2) C. Crozier, (3) J. Brown and (4) E. Jones. Time: 792281601480508067539075519:55.5 seconds.
507,060,240,091,291,767,838,838,971,43